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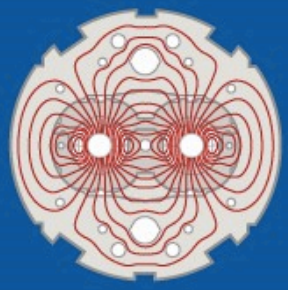
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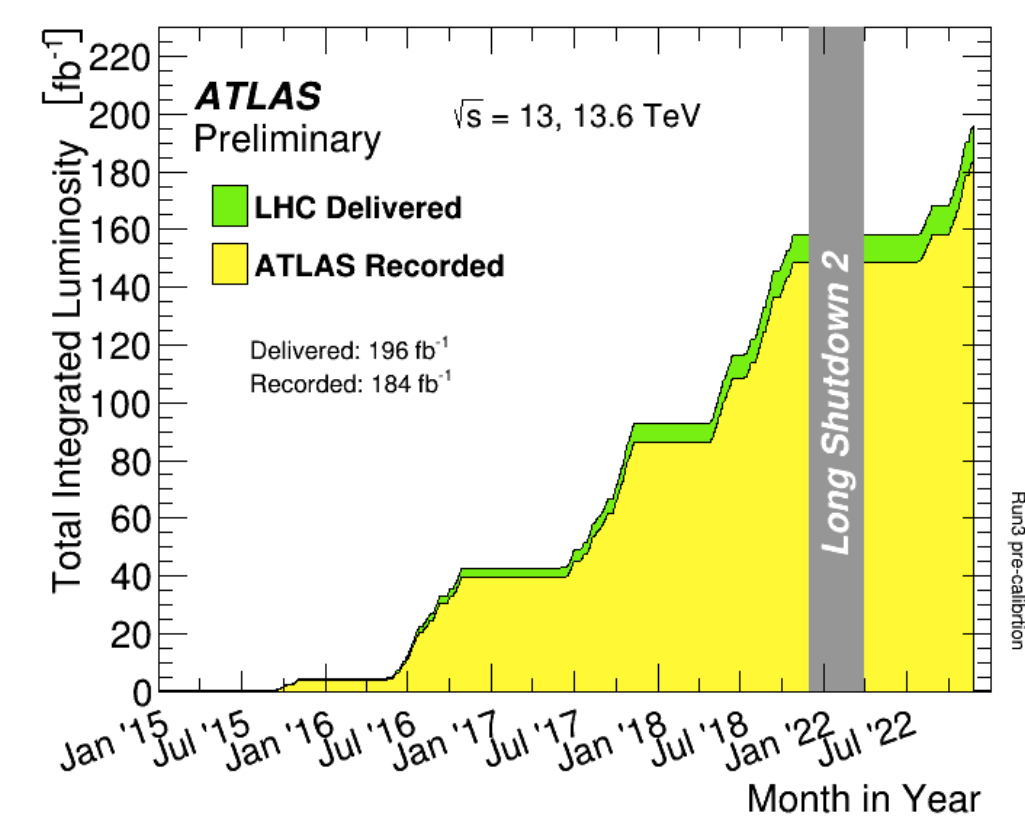
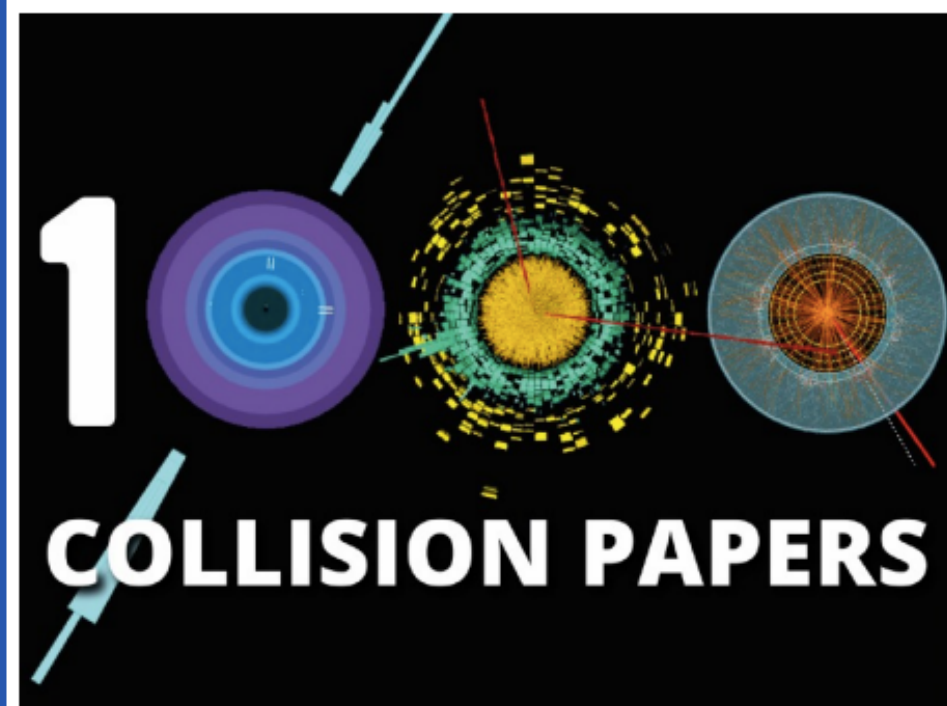
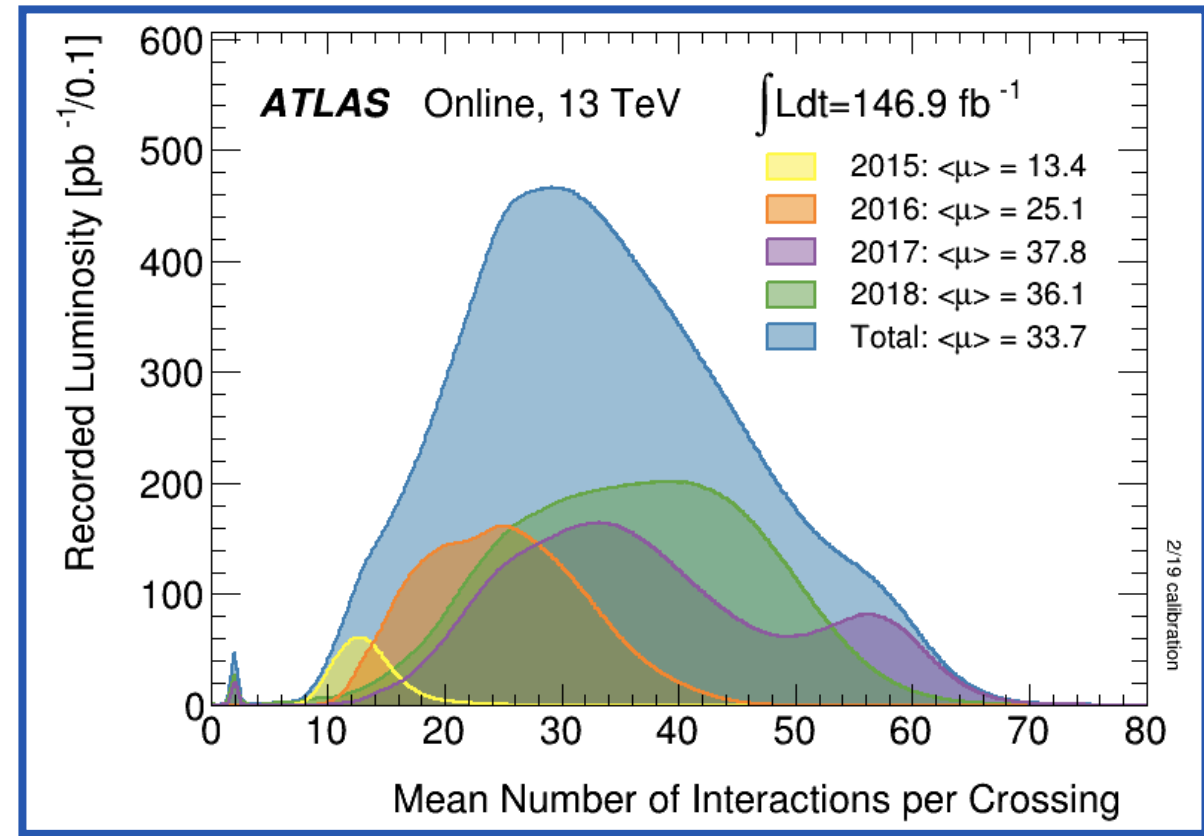
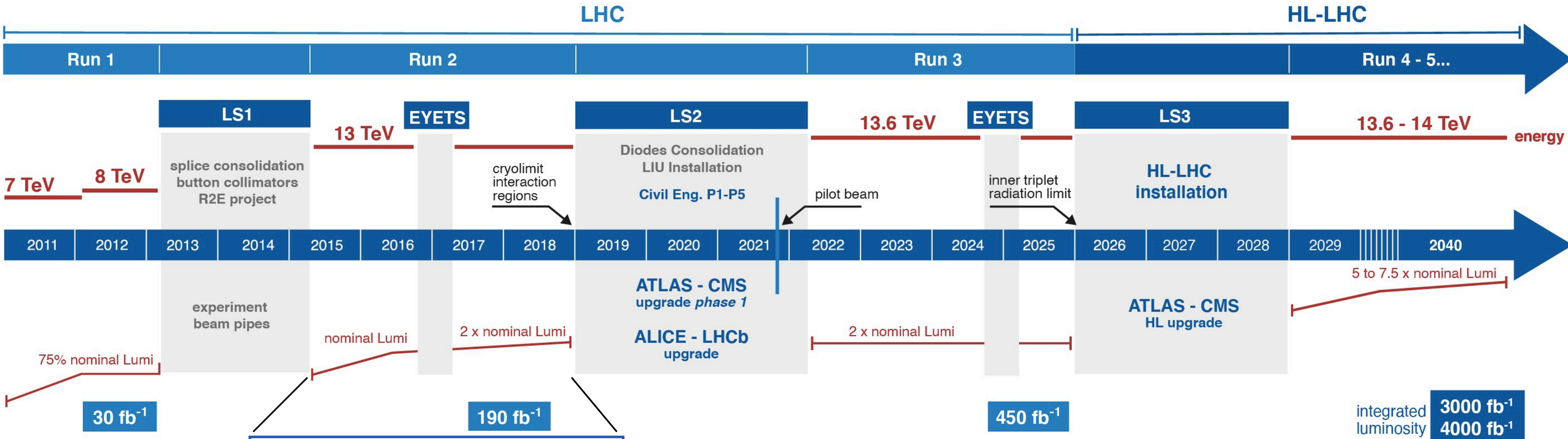
# Top quark physics at ATLAS experiment

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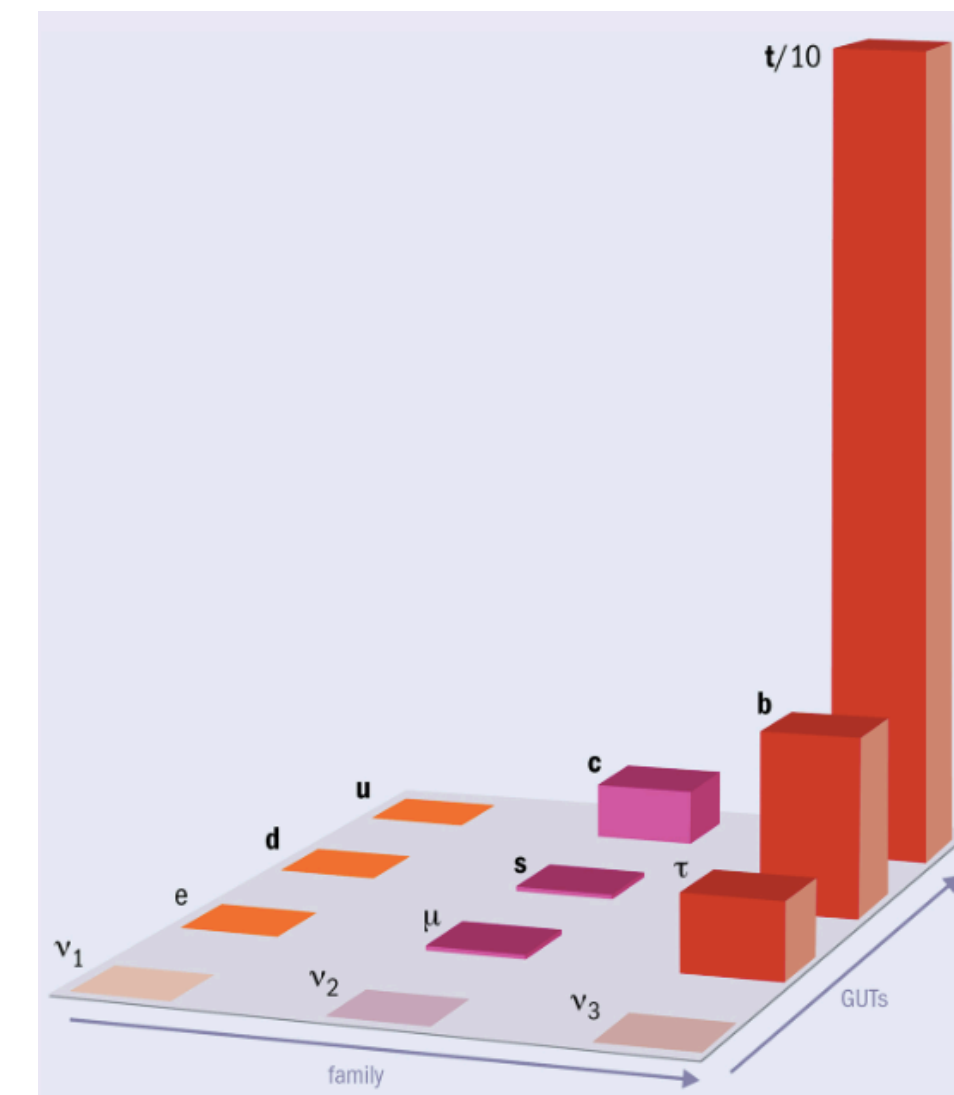
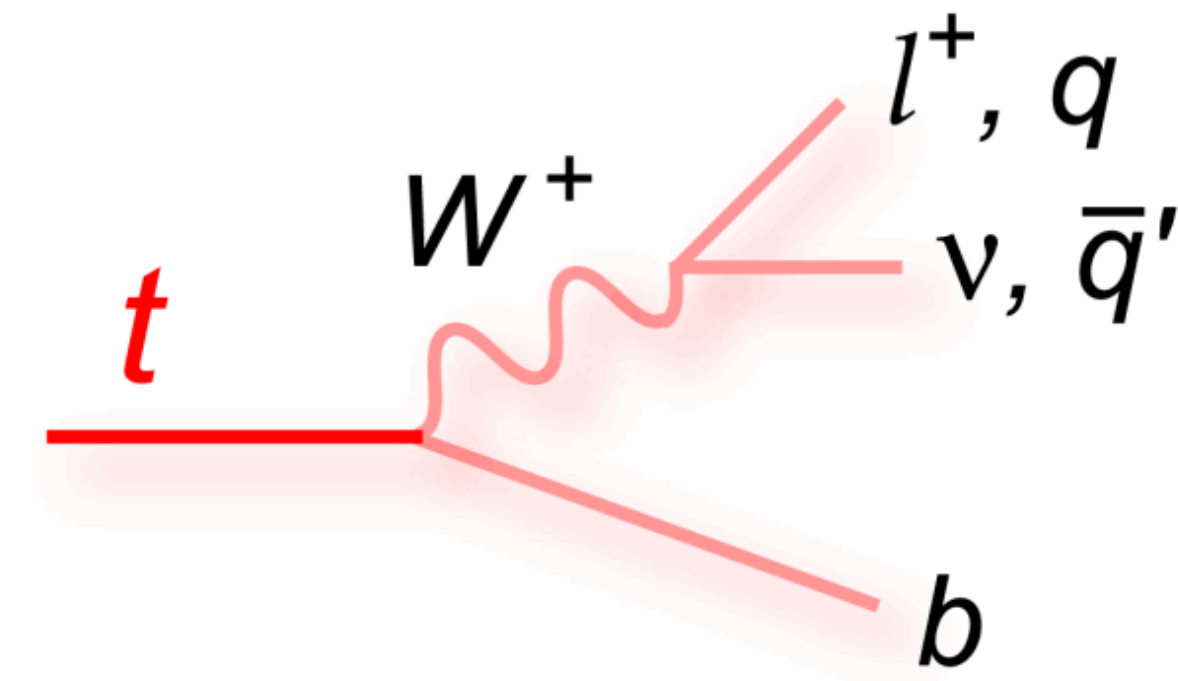
# LHC / HL-LHC Plan



# Top quark - introduction

- ▶ A unique particle
  - ▶ The heaviest known elementary particle
  - ▶ Unique properties from experimental and theoretical side
- ▶ Very short lifetime
  - ▶ The only quark which does not hadronizes
  - ▶ Properties studies via its decay products
- ▶ It has a significant impact on cosmological models (e.g. determinaton of the lifetime of the Universe)

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# Top quark physics at the LHC

## Two main production modes:

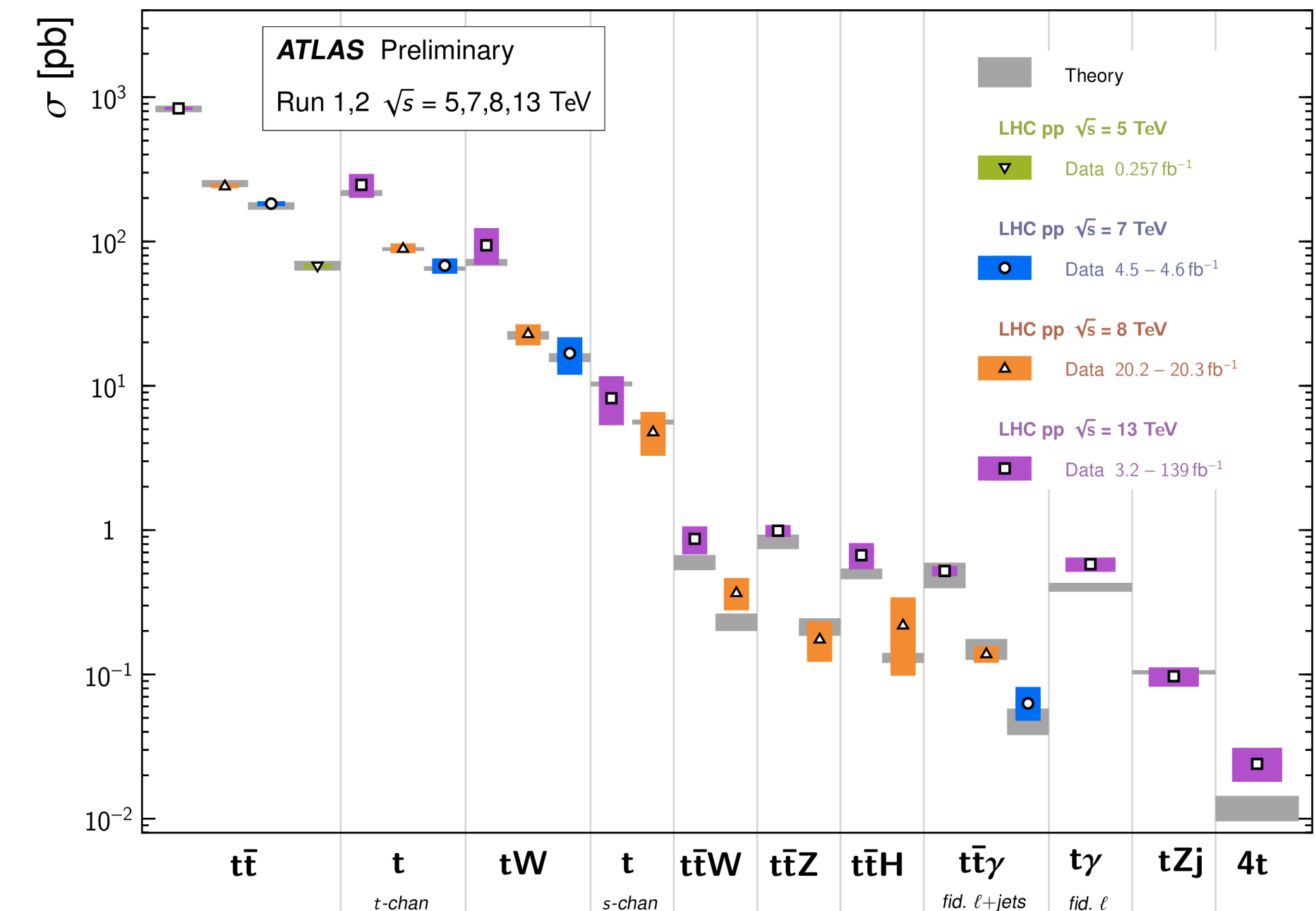
- pair production ( $t\bar{t}$ ) - mainly via strong interaction
  - Run 2 produced  $\sim 200\text{M}$  top pairs in ATLAS+CMS at 13 TeV!
- single top - electroweak interactions

## Top quarks physics important for many reasons:

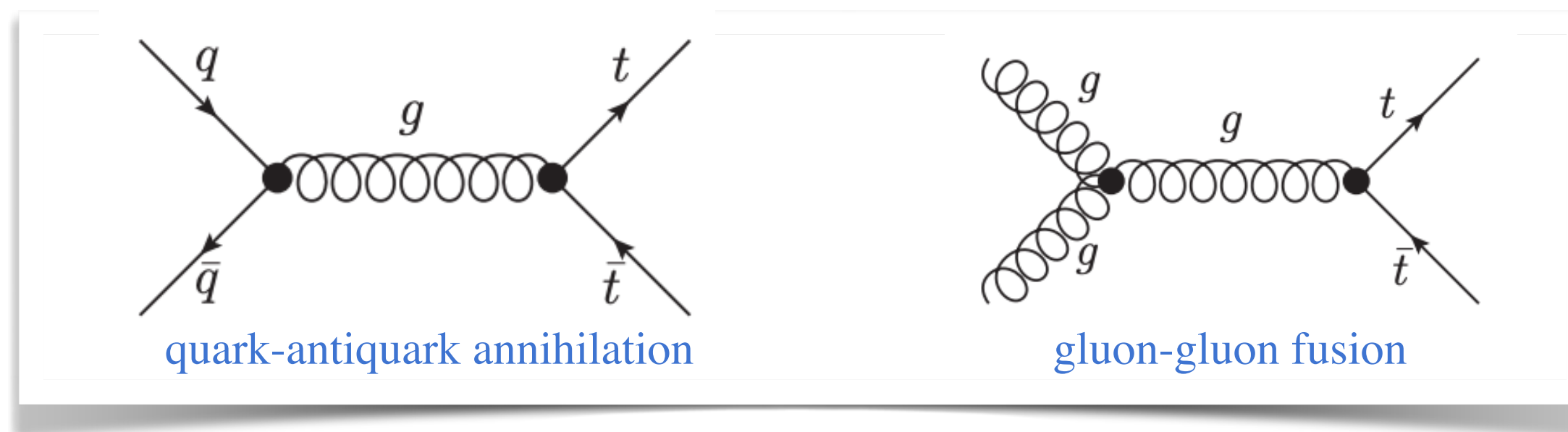
- Precision test of the Standard Model
- Sensitivity to new physics beyond the Standard Model
- PDF fits - especially can contribute to high- $x$  for gluon PDF
- Parameters of MC generators

Top Quark Production Cross Section Measurements

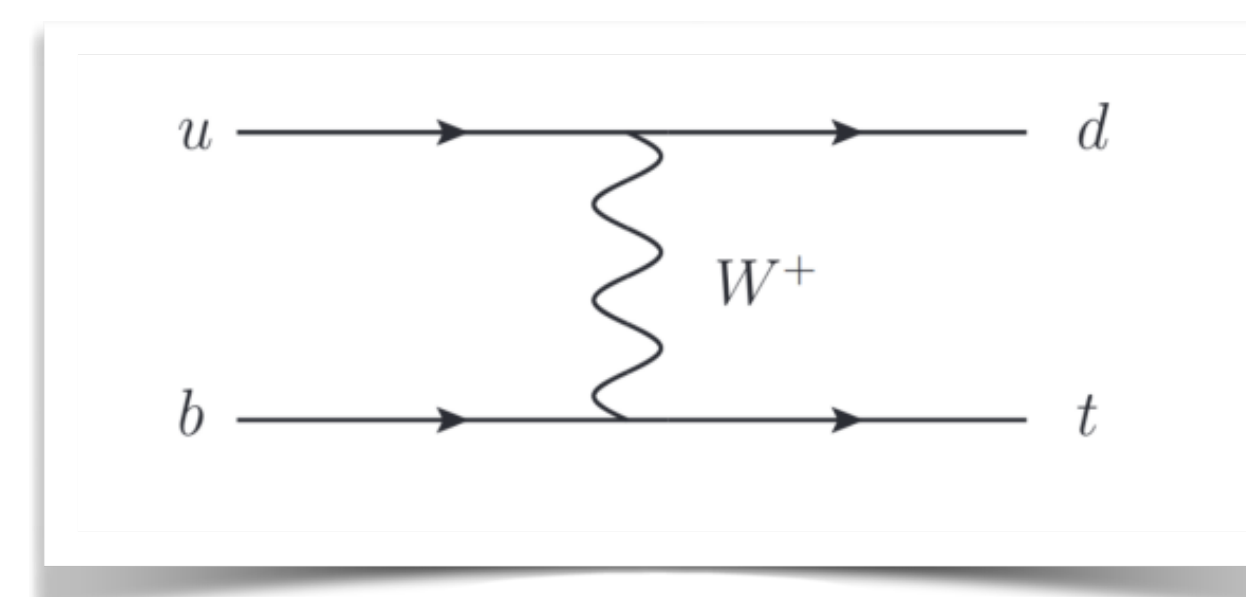
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**tt pairs production**



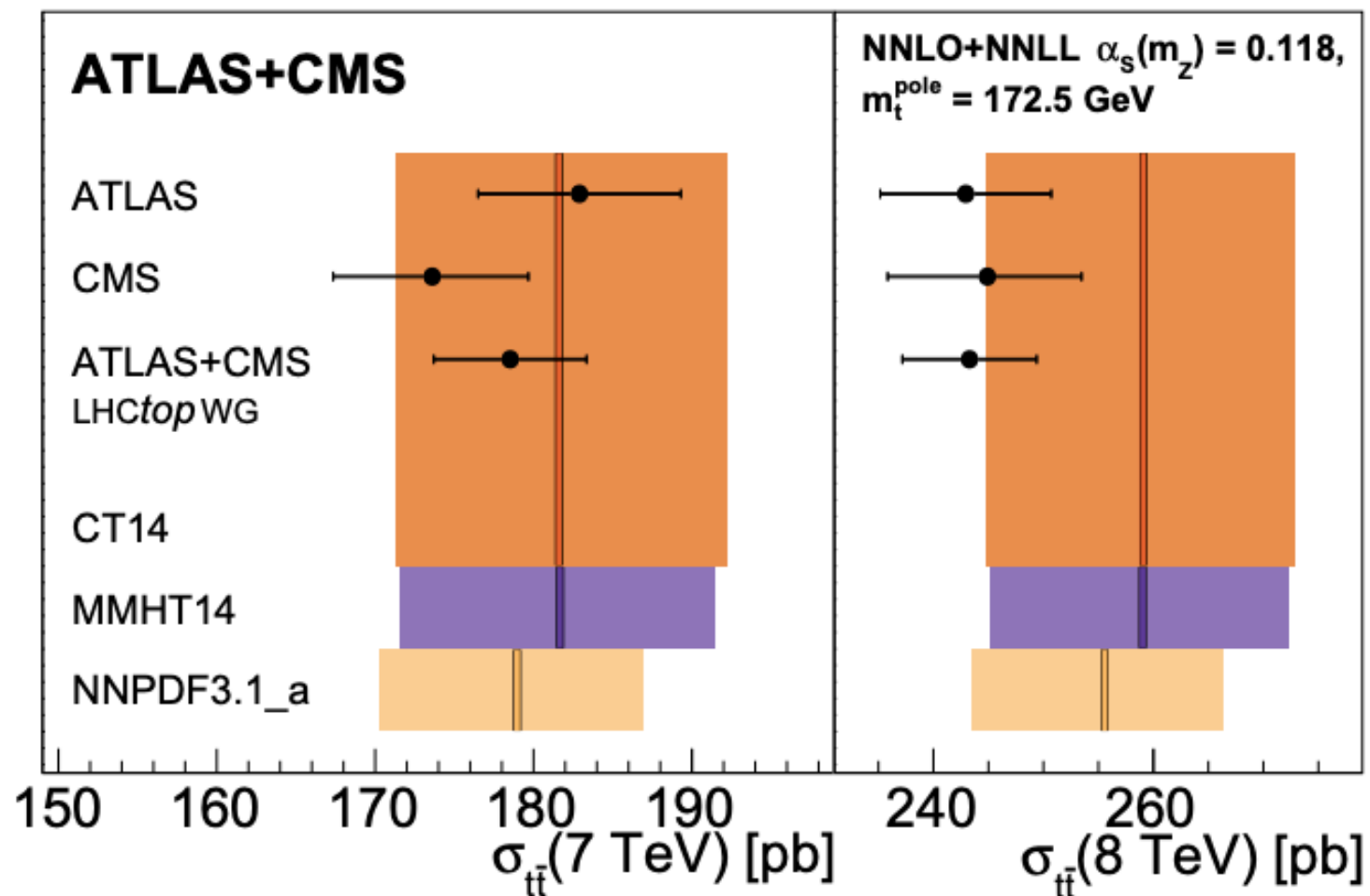
**single top production**



# Top pair cross section measurements

## ATLAS+CMS combination 7/8 TeV

Inputs: e- $\mu$  channel with best precision



This yields a  $\sim 25\%$  reduction of uncertainties

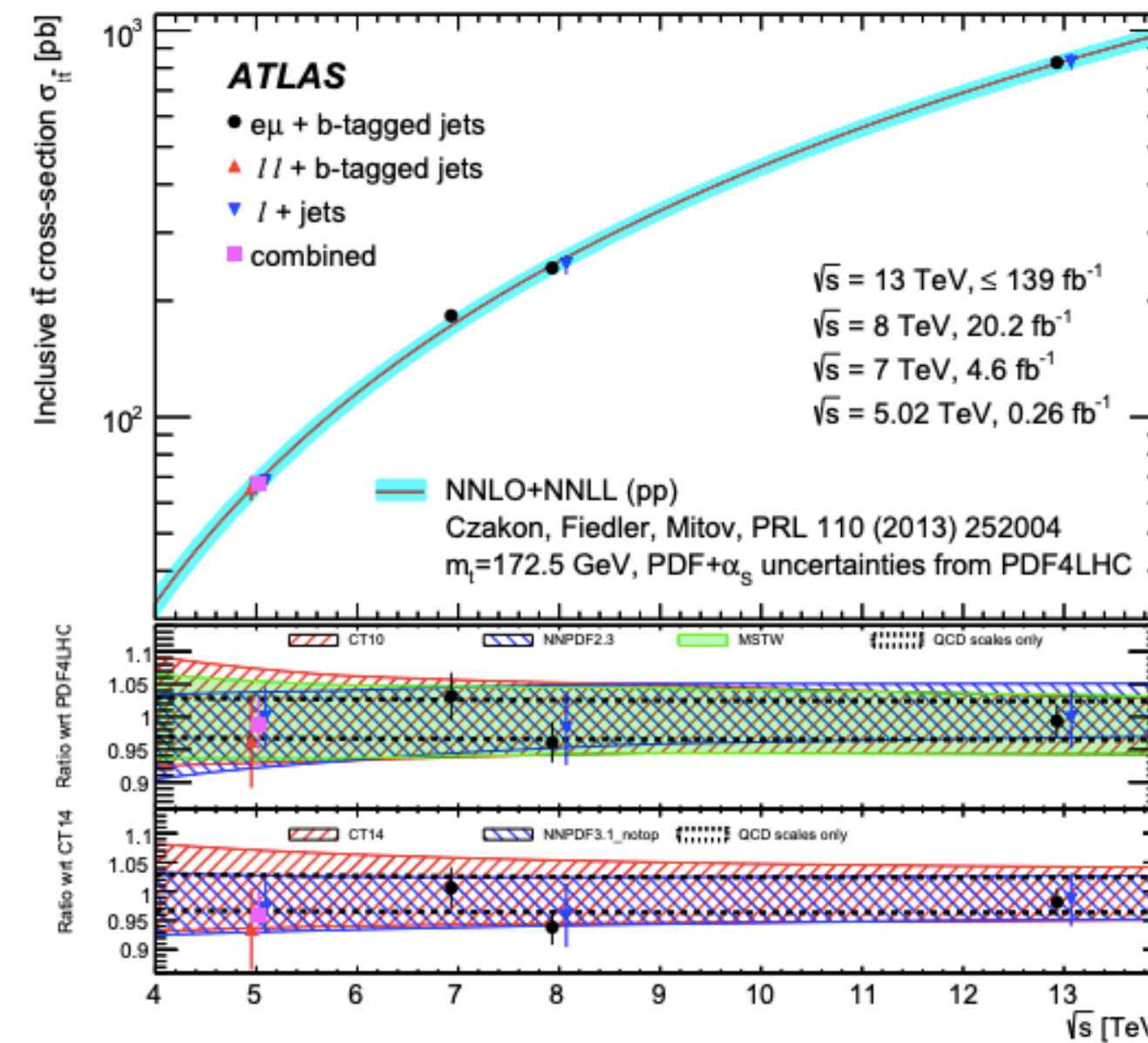
$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{t\bar{t}}(\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}) &= 178.5 \pm 4.7 \text{ pb} \\ \sigma_{t\bar{t}}(\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}) &= 243.3^{+6.0}_{-5.9} \text{ pb.} \end{aligned}$$

The results are used for an accurate determination of

$$\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1170^{+0.0021}_{-0.0018} \quad m_t^{\text{pole}} = 173.4^{+1.8}_{-2.0} \text{ GeV}$$

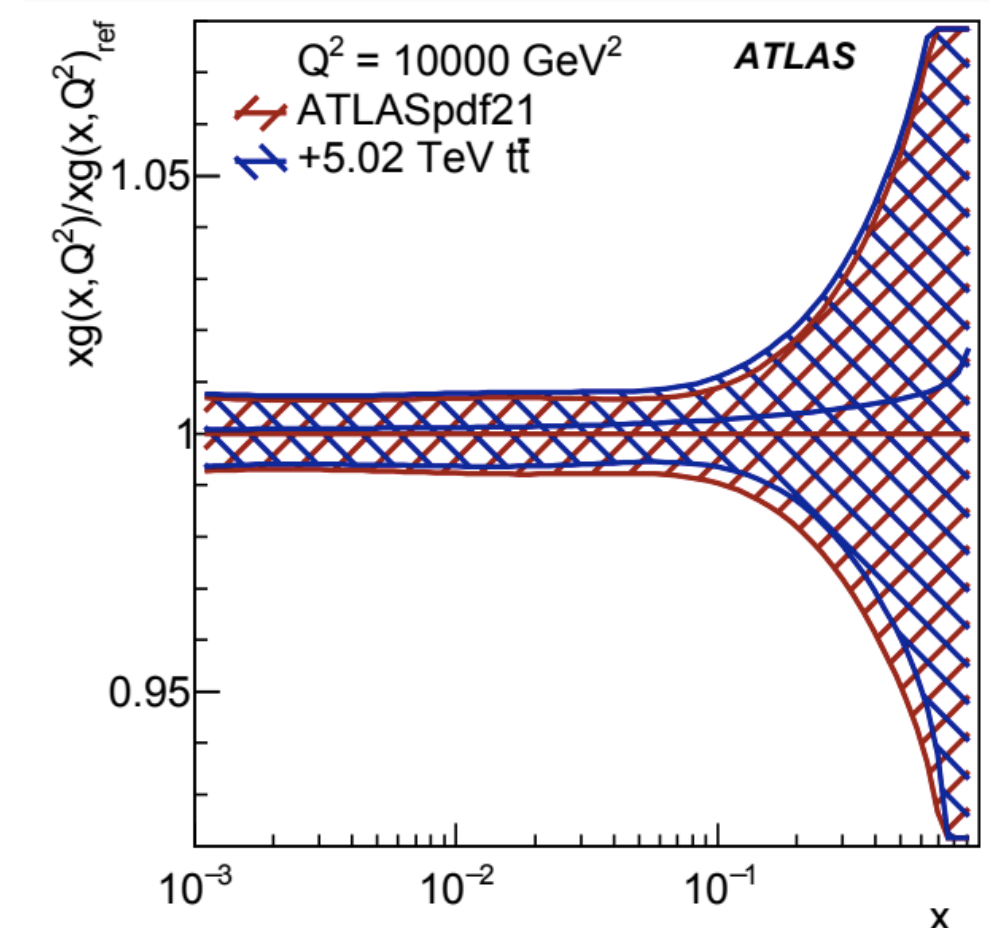
## Measurements at 5.02 TeV

arXiv:2207.01354



Impressive agreement with the QCD prediction over pp collision energies from 5 to 13 TeV and an order of magnitude of cross-section

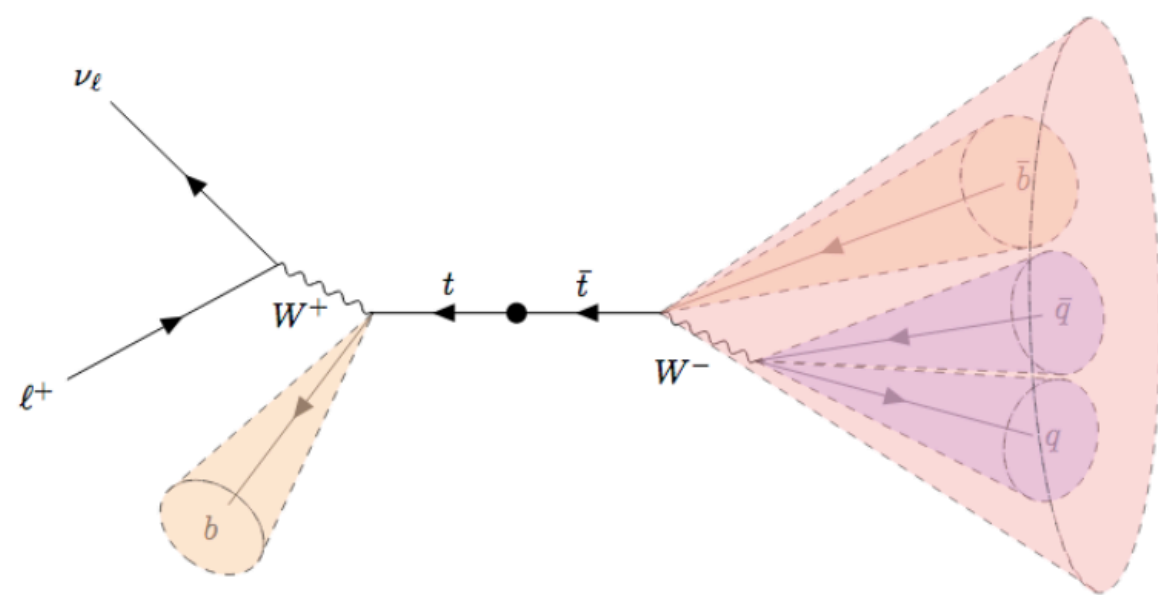
$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}(\sqrt{s})$  helps also to constrain PDFs  
The 5 TeV ATLAS result reduces the uncertainty on  $xg(x)$  by 5% at  $x=0.1$



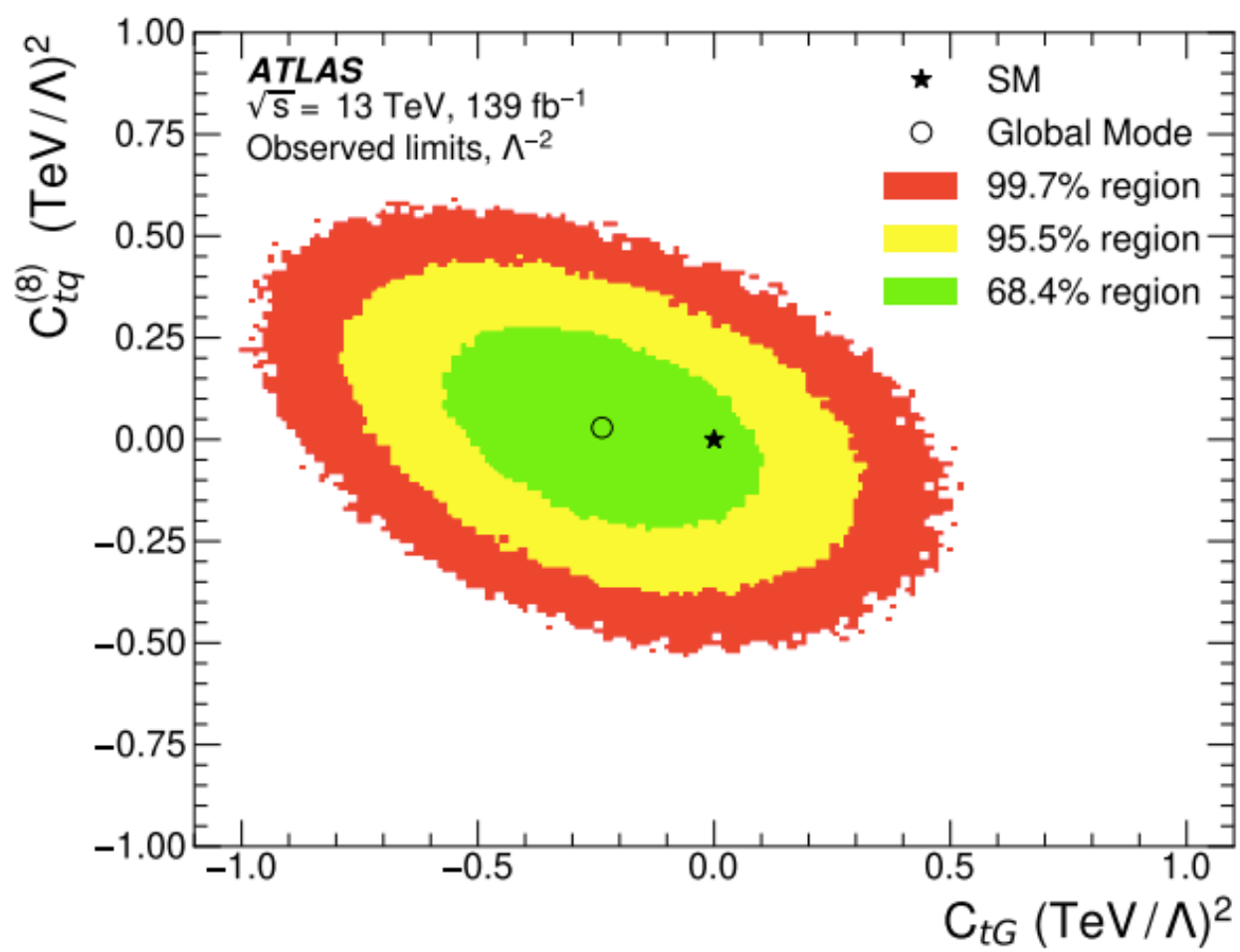
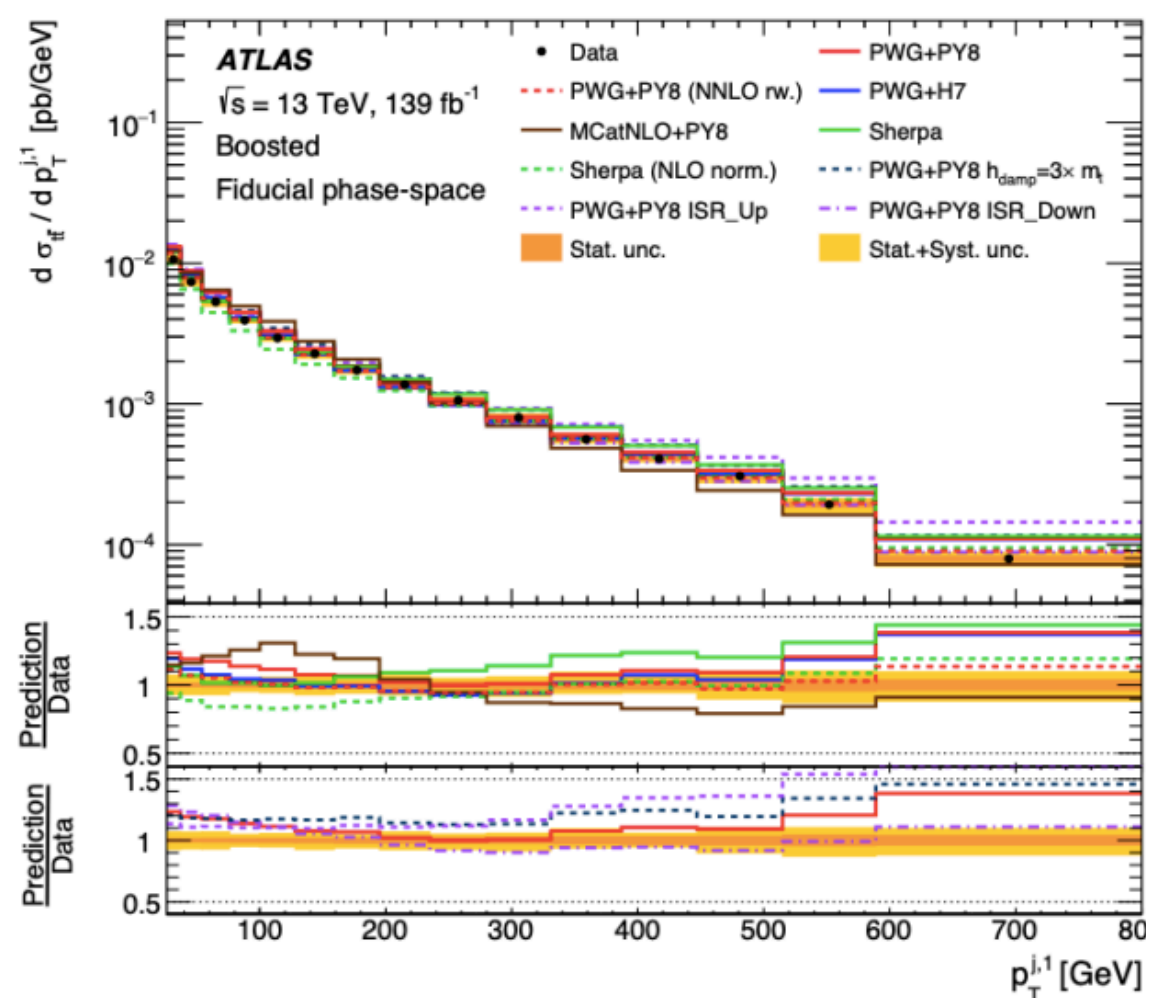
# Measurements in boosted topology

## Single lepton channel

Select 1 + b-jet +  
top-tagged wide jet

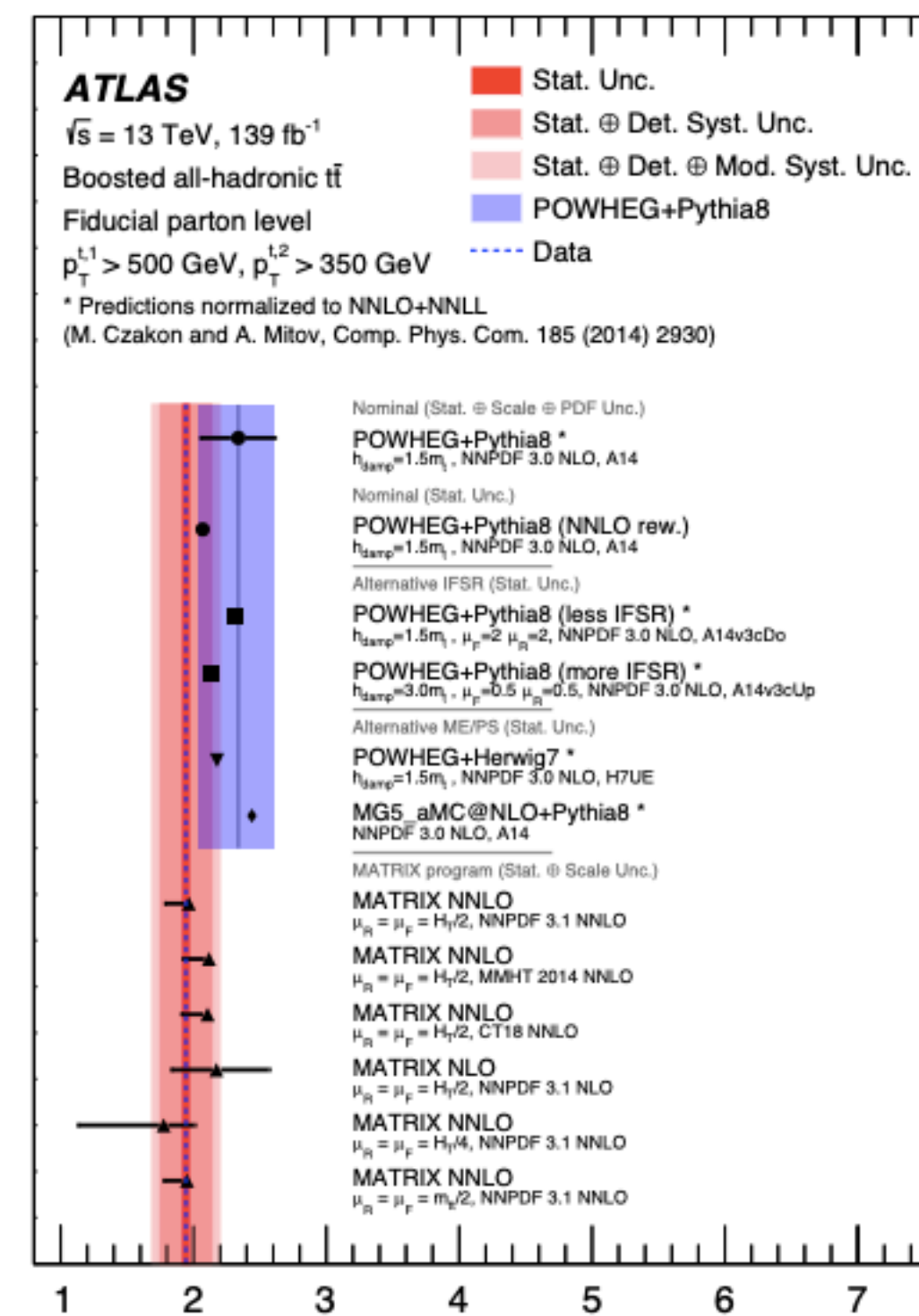
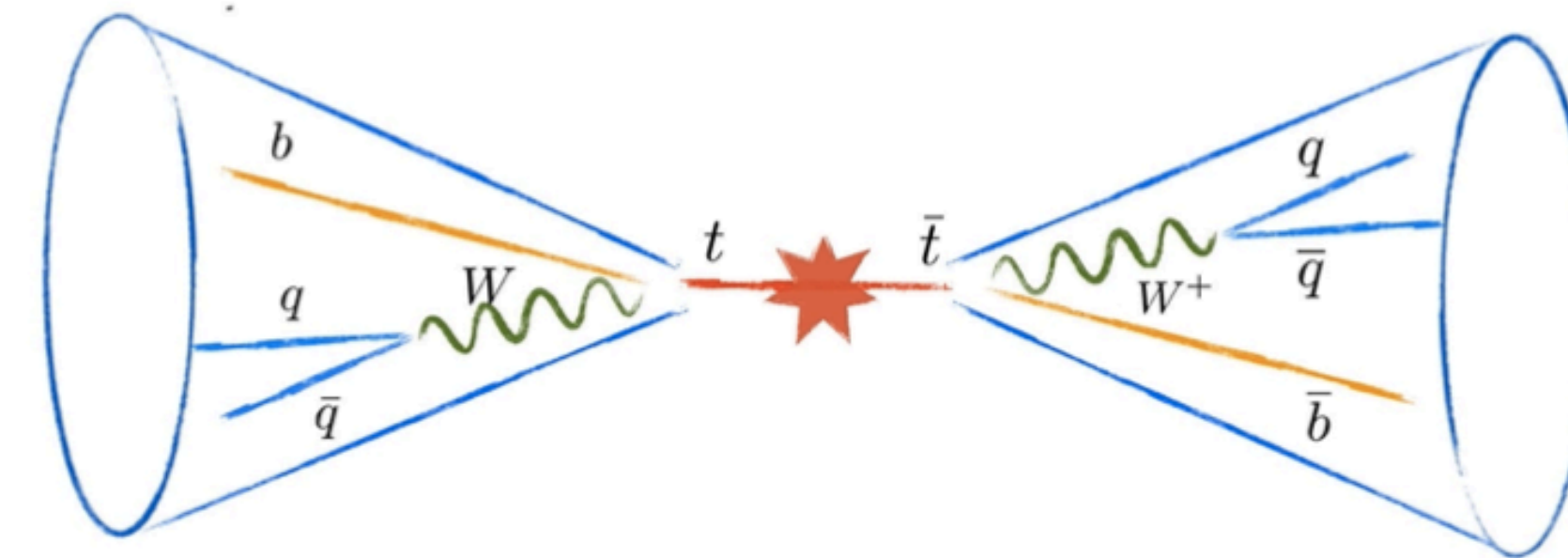


Significant reduction of JES uncertainty due to in-situ JES calibration  
Additional jet pT's are generally not well described by QCD models

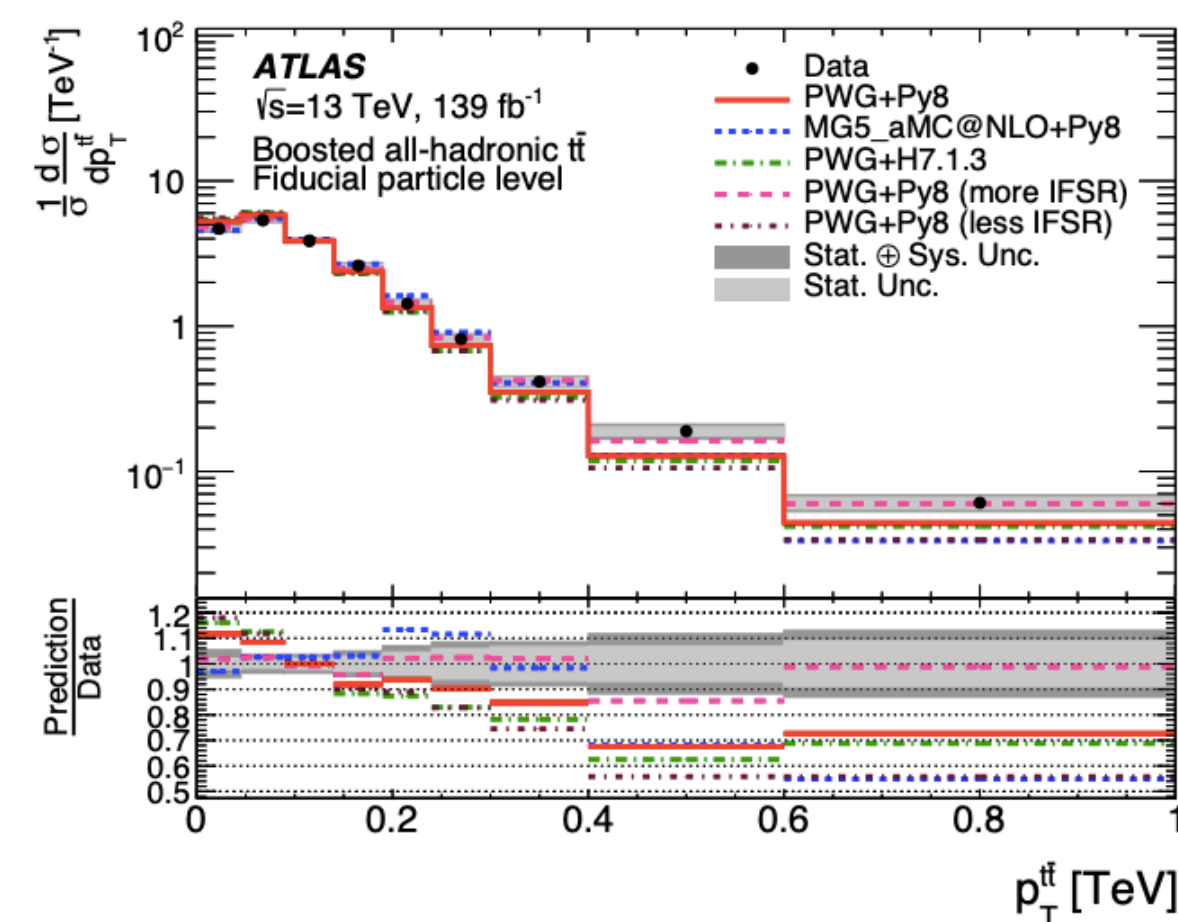


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## All-hadronic channel



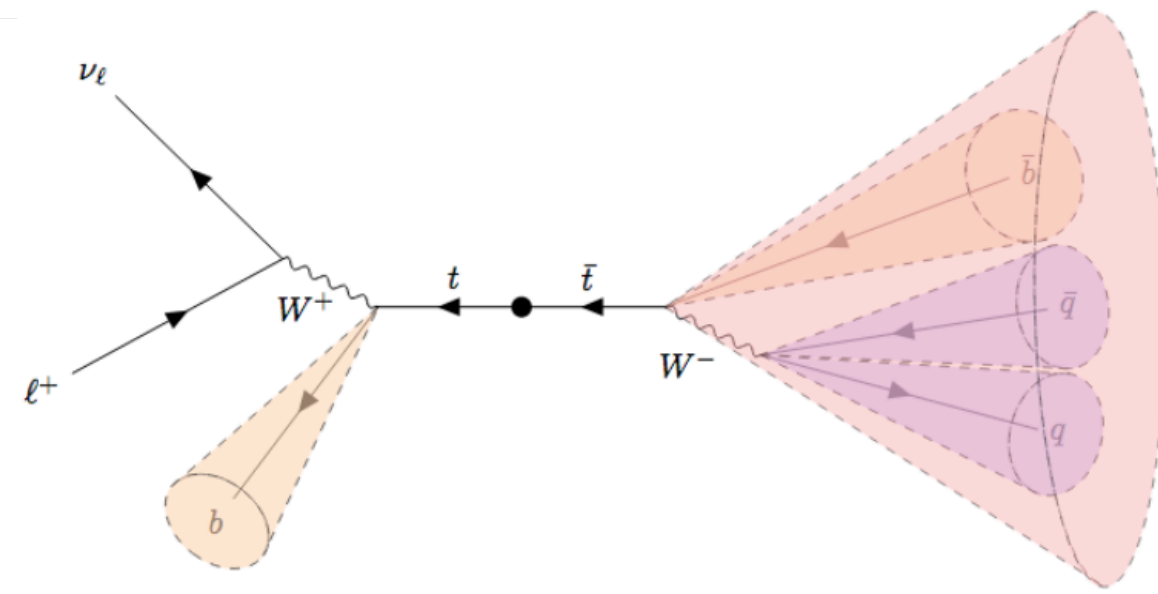
MATRIX reproduces the  
fiducial cross-section better  
than the NLO models



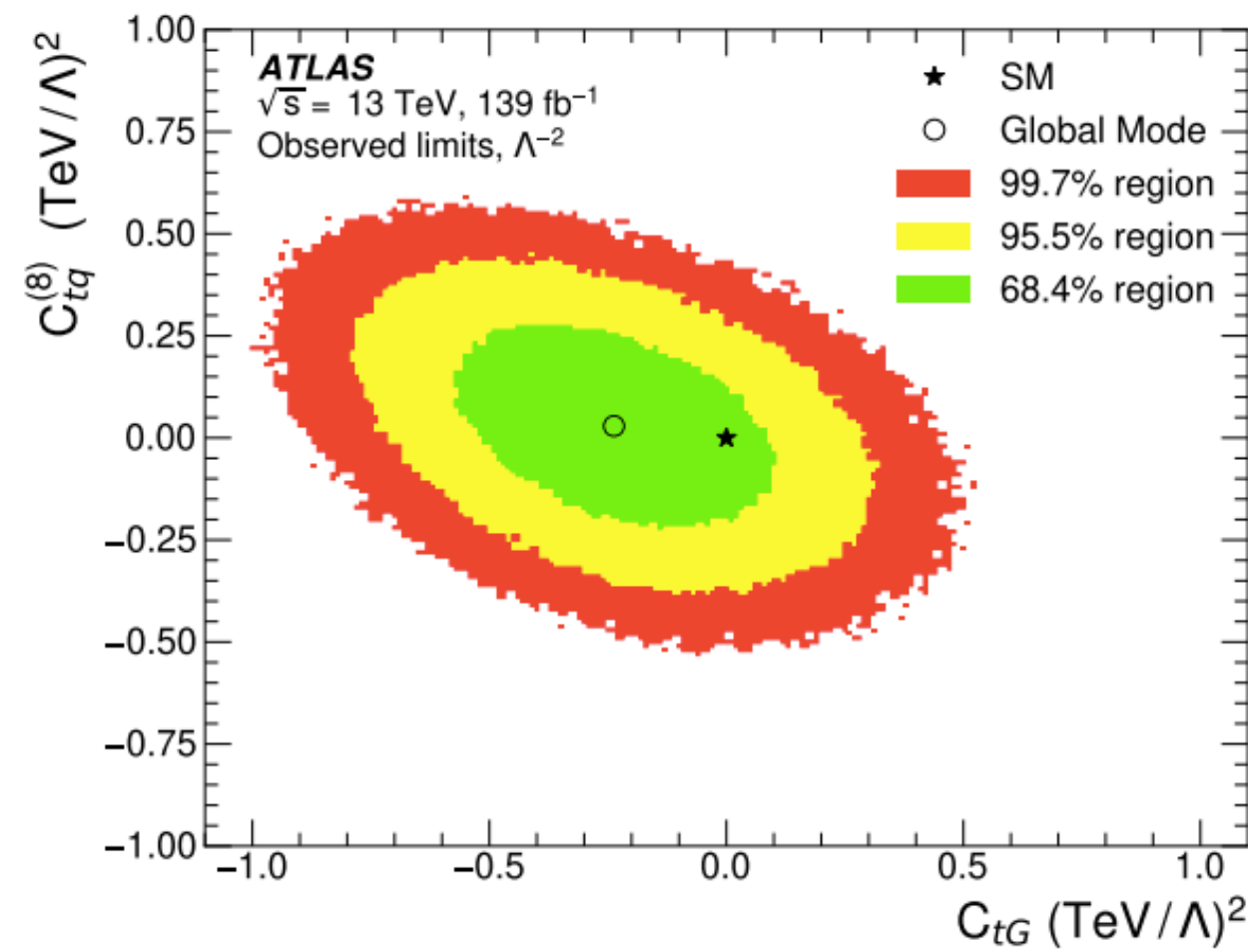
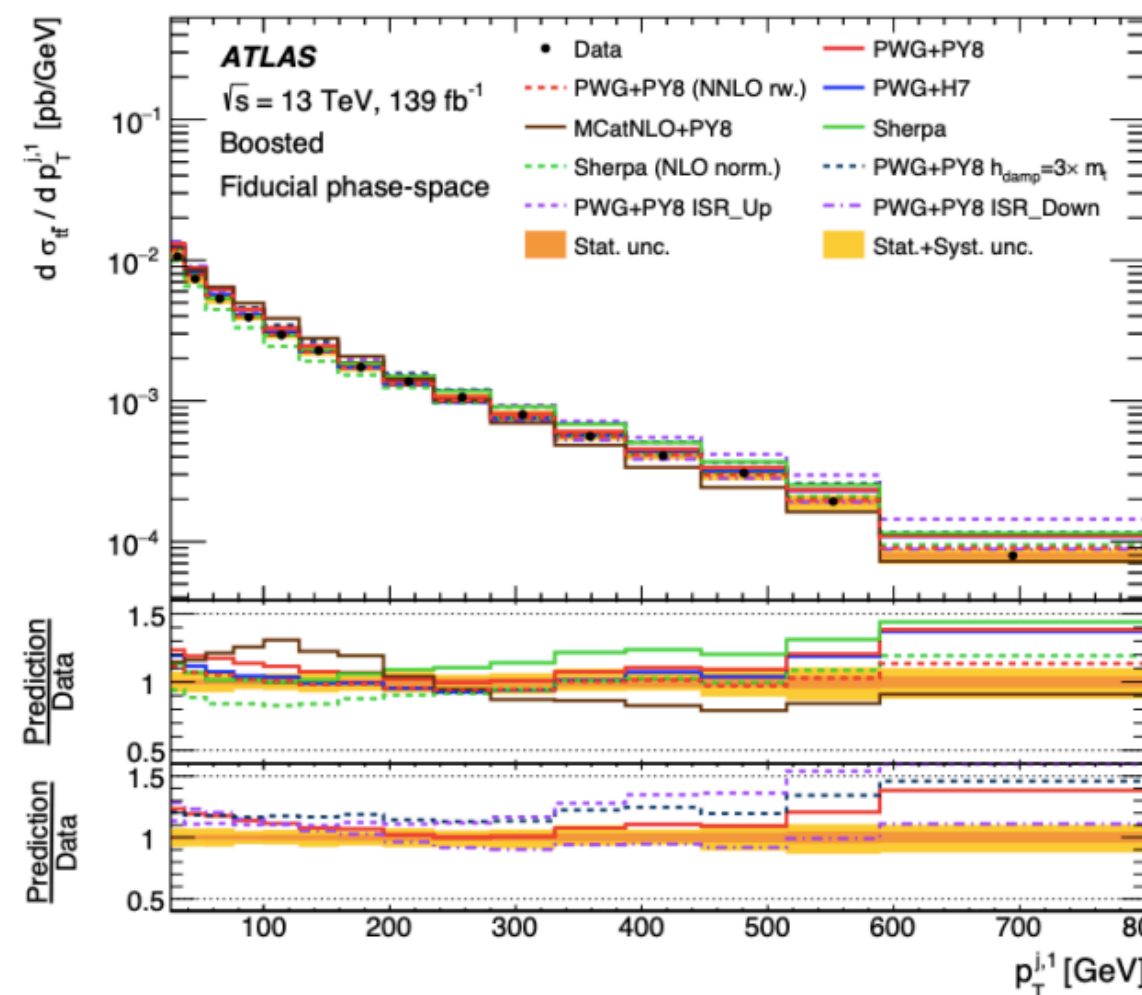
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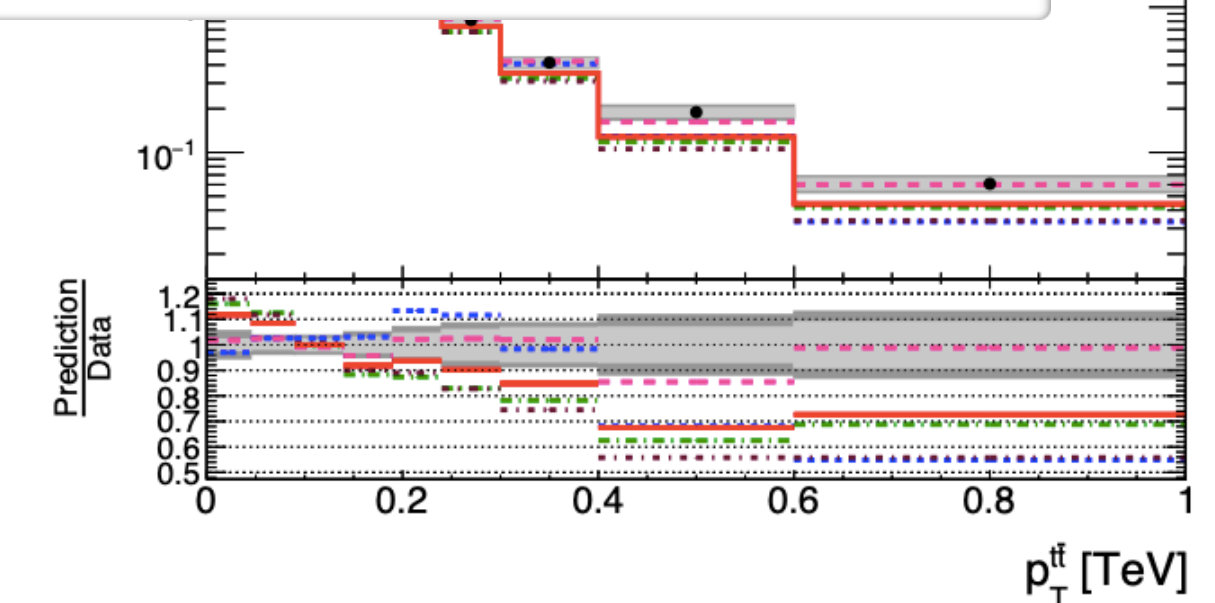
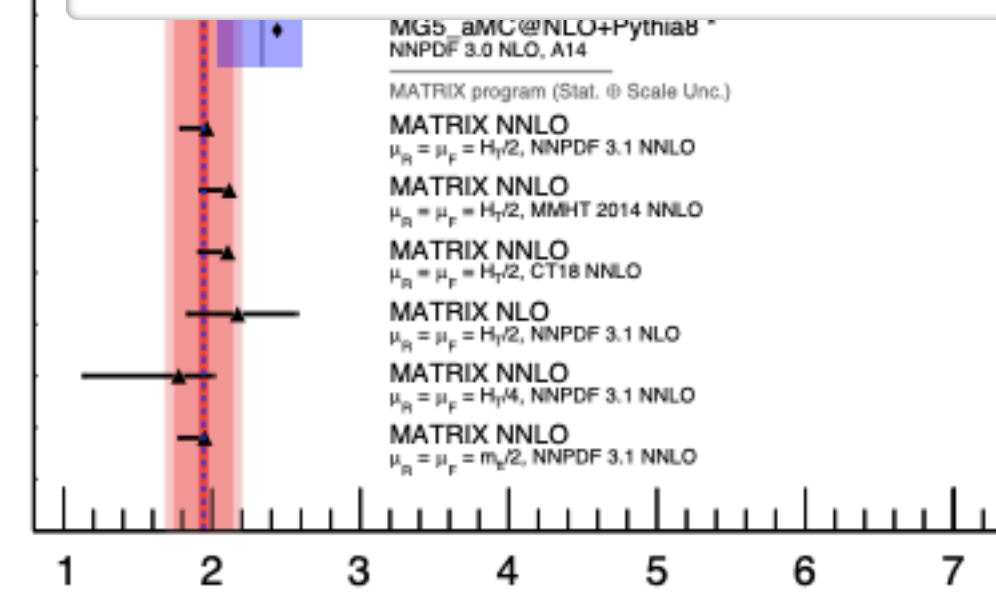
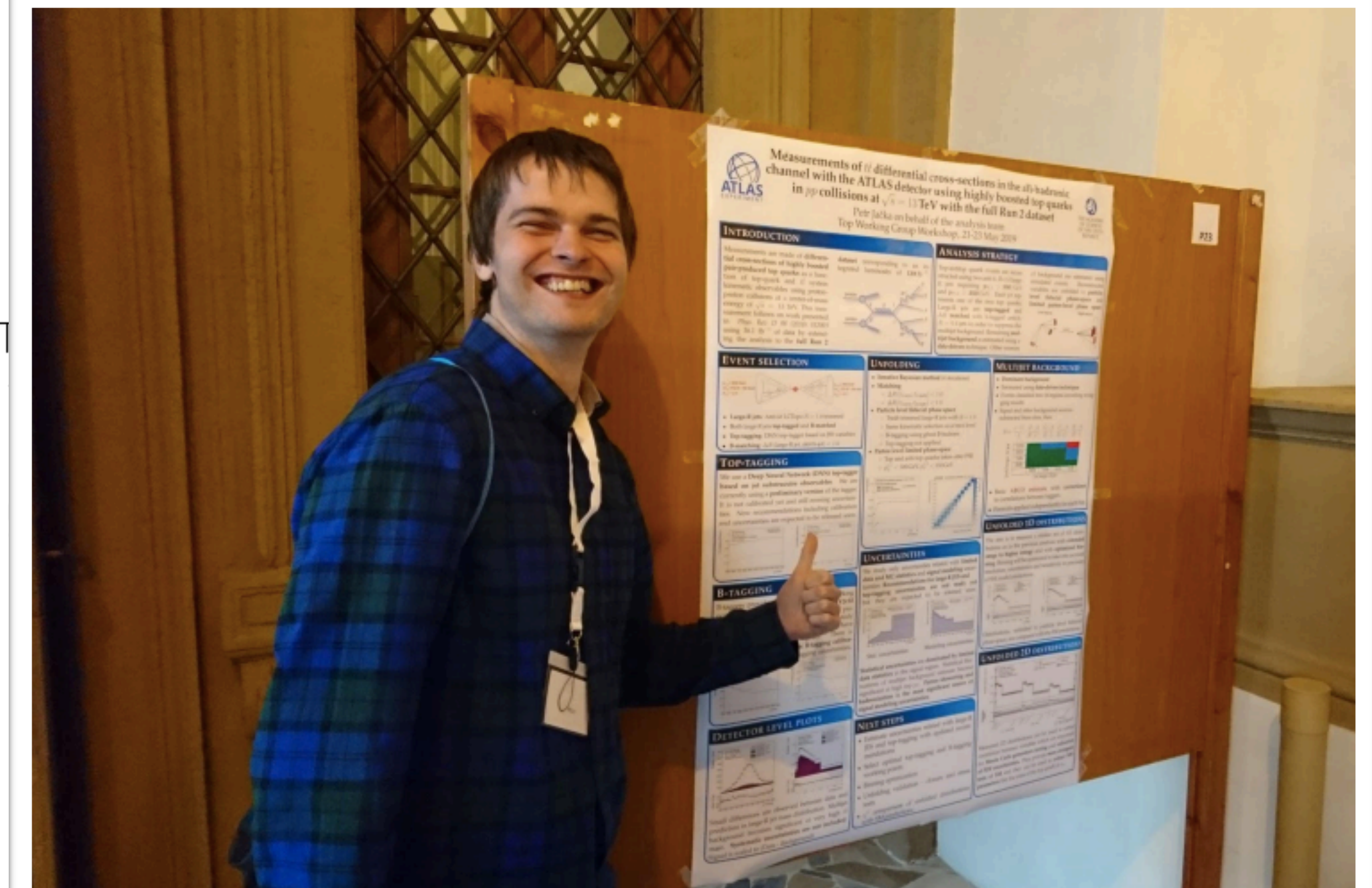


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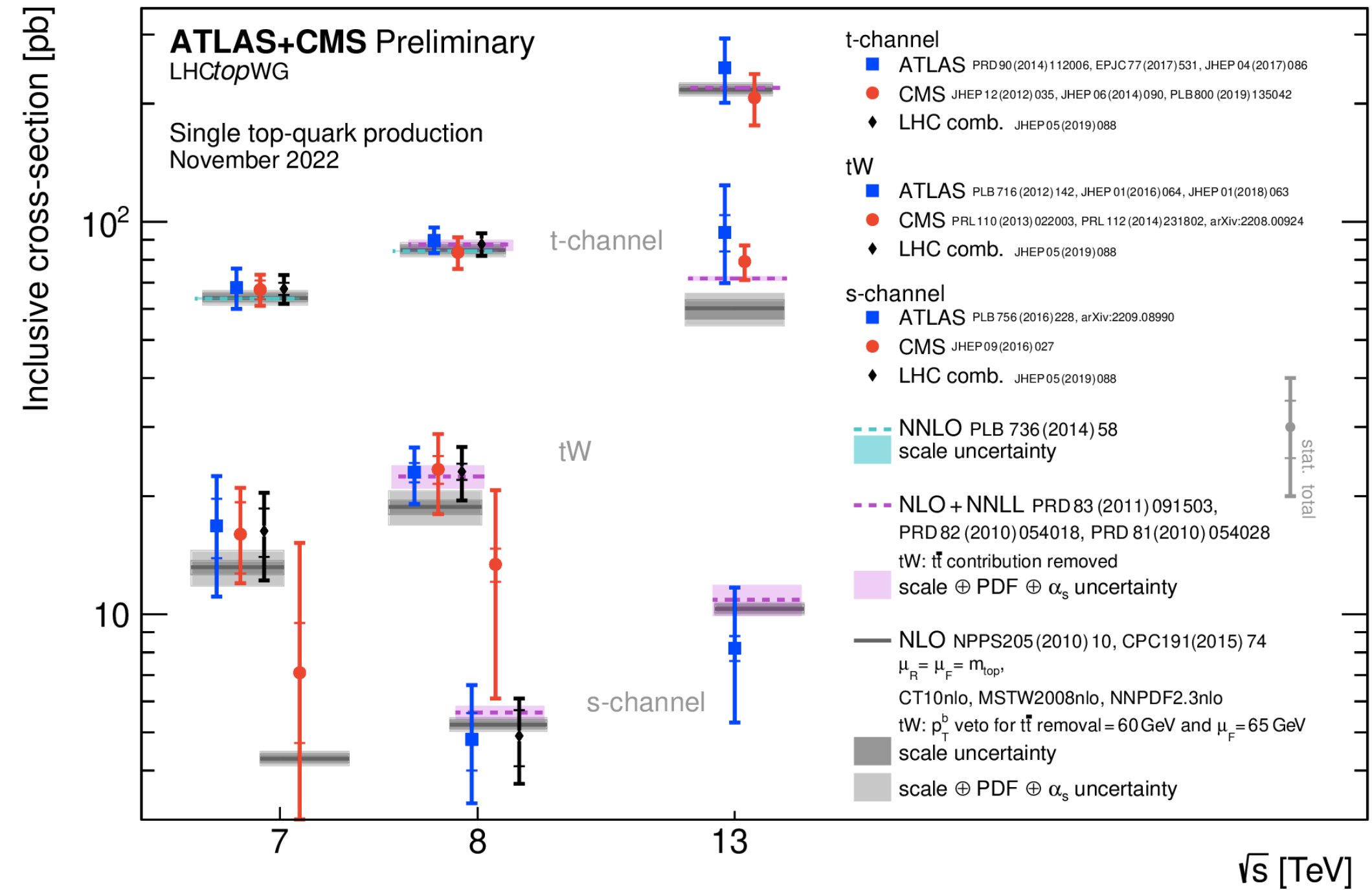
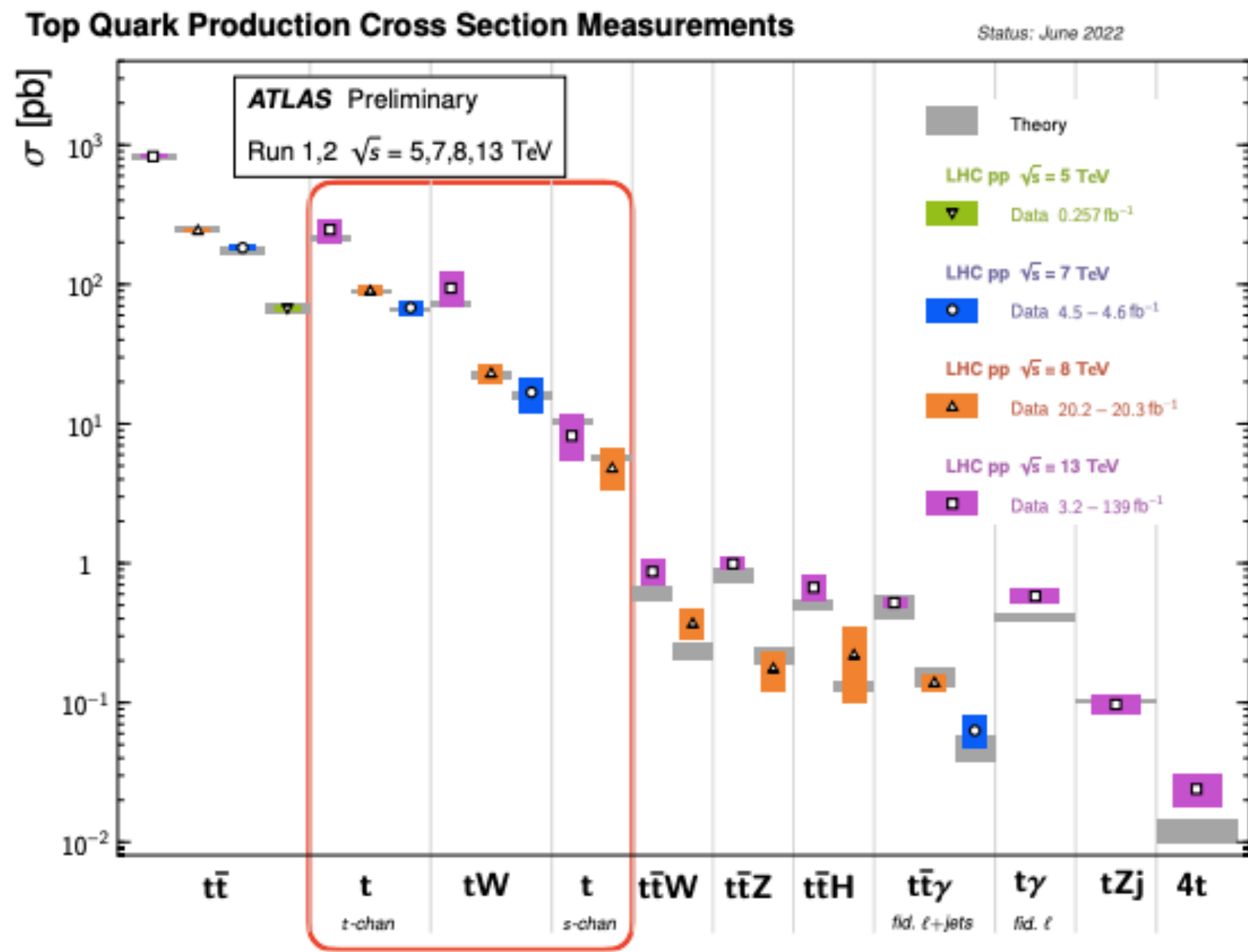


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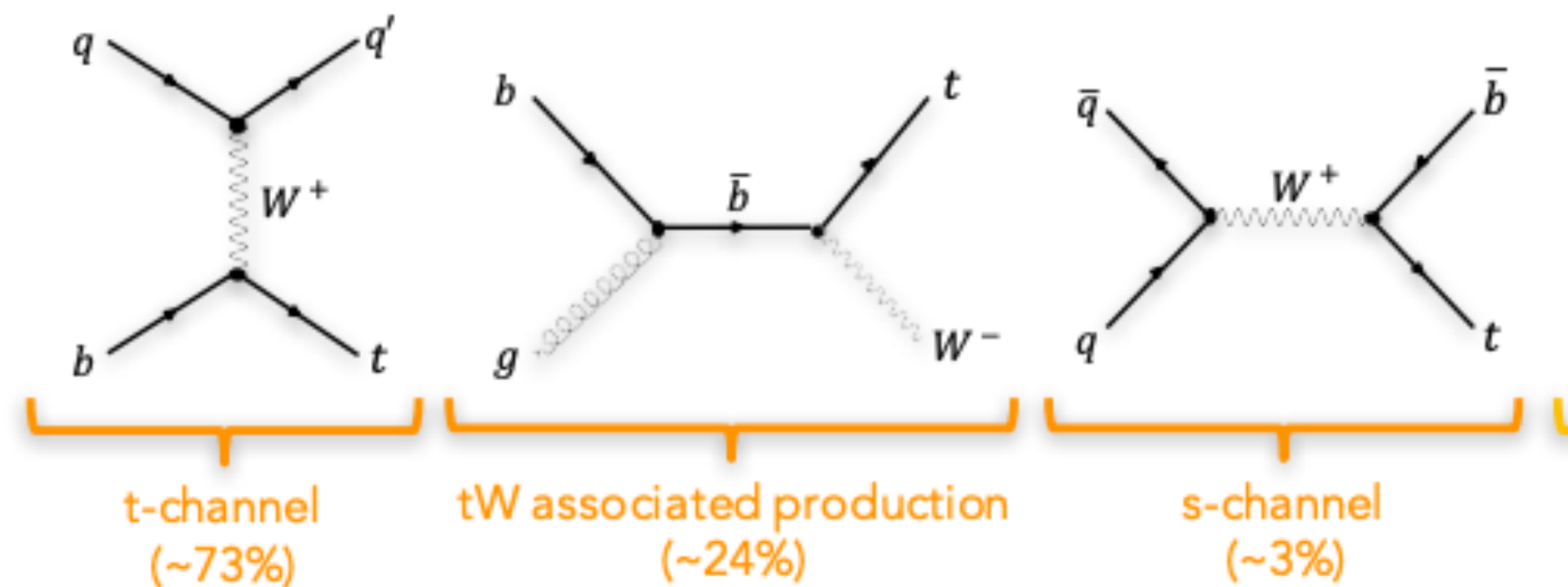
## All-hadronic channel



# Single top production



## Single top-quark productions



$$\sigma_{t \text{ ch.}}(13 \text{ TeV}) = 217.0_{-4.6}^{+6.6}(\text{scale}) \pm 6.2(\text{PDF}, \alpha_s) \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{s \text{ ch.}}(13 \text{ TeV}) = 10.32_{-0.24}^{+0.29}(\text{scale}) \pm 0.27(\text{PDF}, \alpha_s) \text{ pb}$$

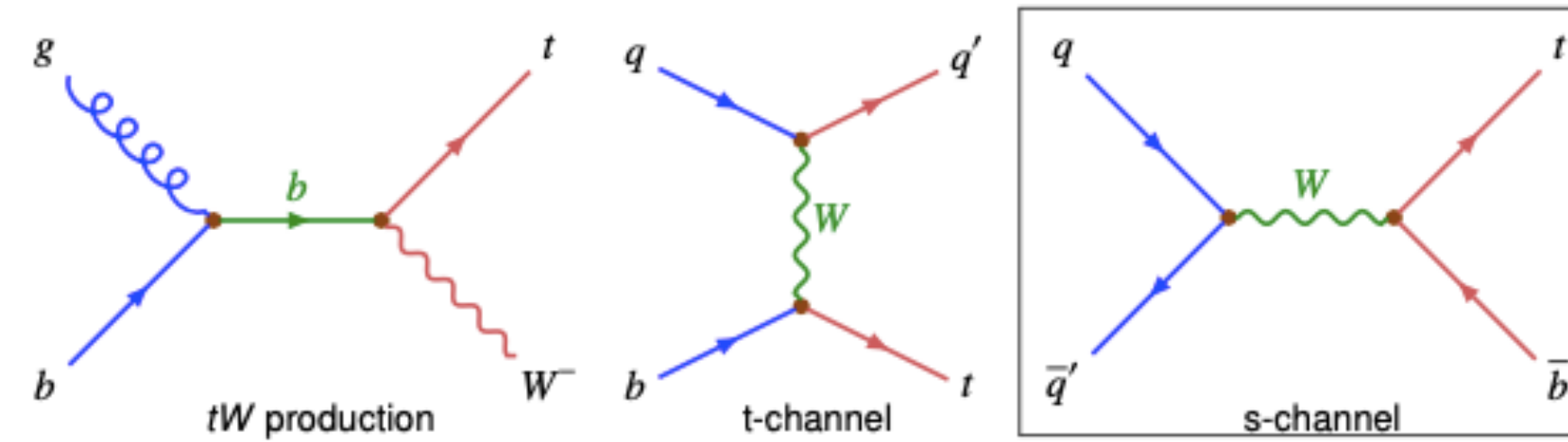
$$\sigma_{tW \text{ ch.}}(13 \text{ TeV}) = 71.7 \pm 1.8(\text{scale}) \pm 3.4(\text{PDF}, \alpha_s) \text{ pb}$$



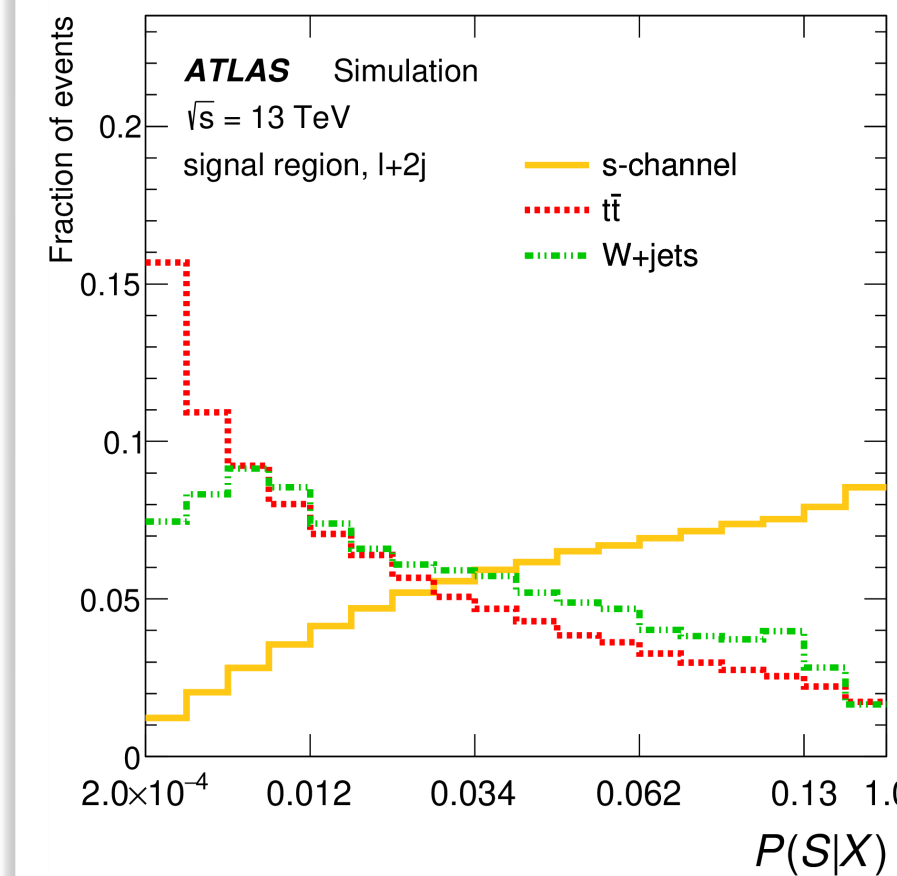
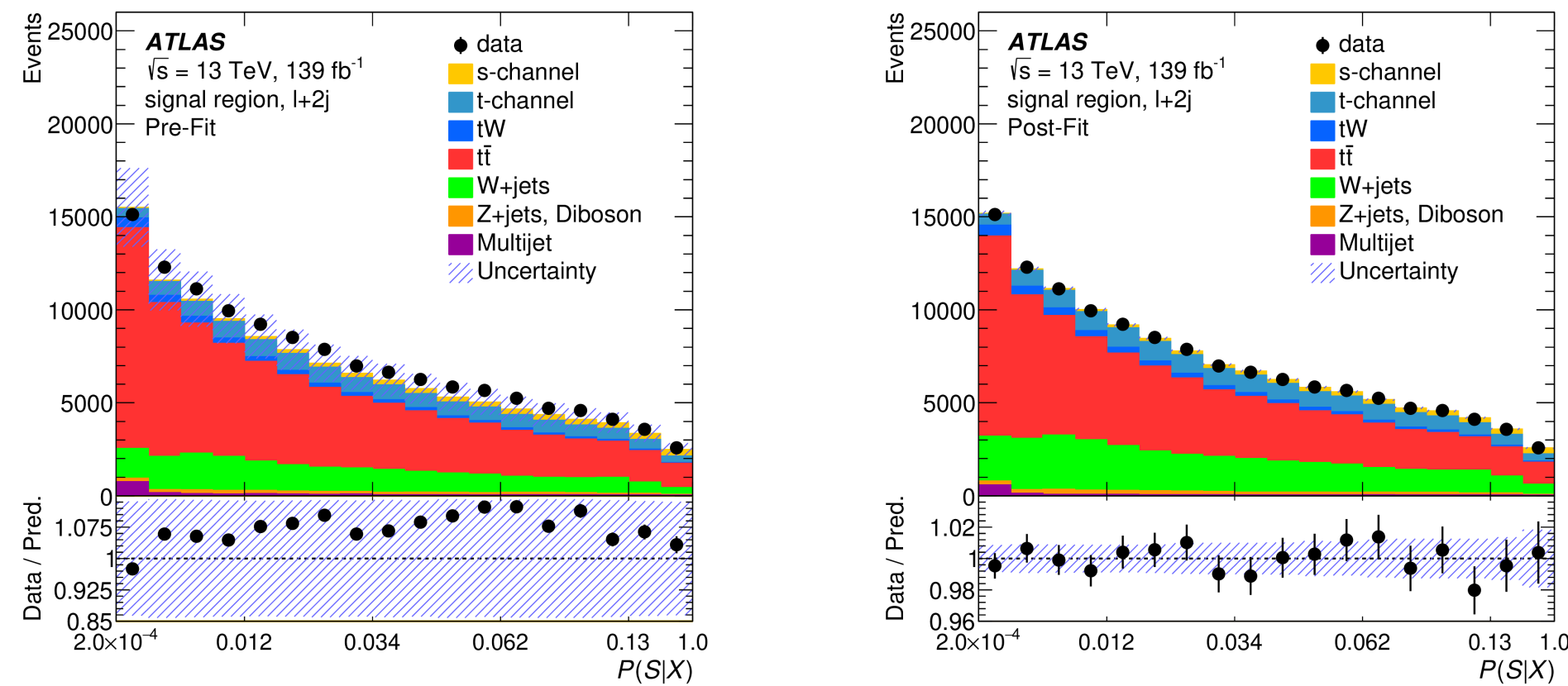
# Single top s-channel at 13 TeV

arXiv:2209.08990  
submitted to JHEP

- Observed at Tevatron combining D0 and CDF
- s-channel : the most challenging at the LHC
- not yet observed in pp collisions



Distribution of the MEM discriminant in the SR before and after the fit



- Matrix Element Method (for Signal and Bkg separation)
- $P(S|X)$ : probability for a measured event X to be a signal event S

Measurements dominated by modelling and JES

Source	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma$ [%]
tt normalisation	+24/ - 17
Jet energy resolution	+18/ - 12
Jet energy scale	+18/ - 13
Other s-channel modelling sources	+18/ - 8

Measured cross-section :

$$\sigma_{\text{obs}} = 8.2^{+3.5}_{-2.9} \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{SM}} = 10.32^{+0.40}_{-0.36} \text{ pb}$$

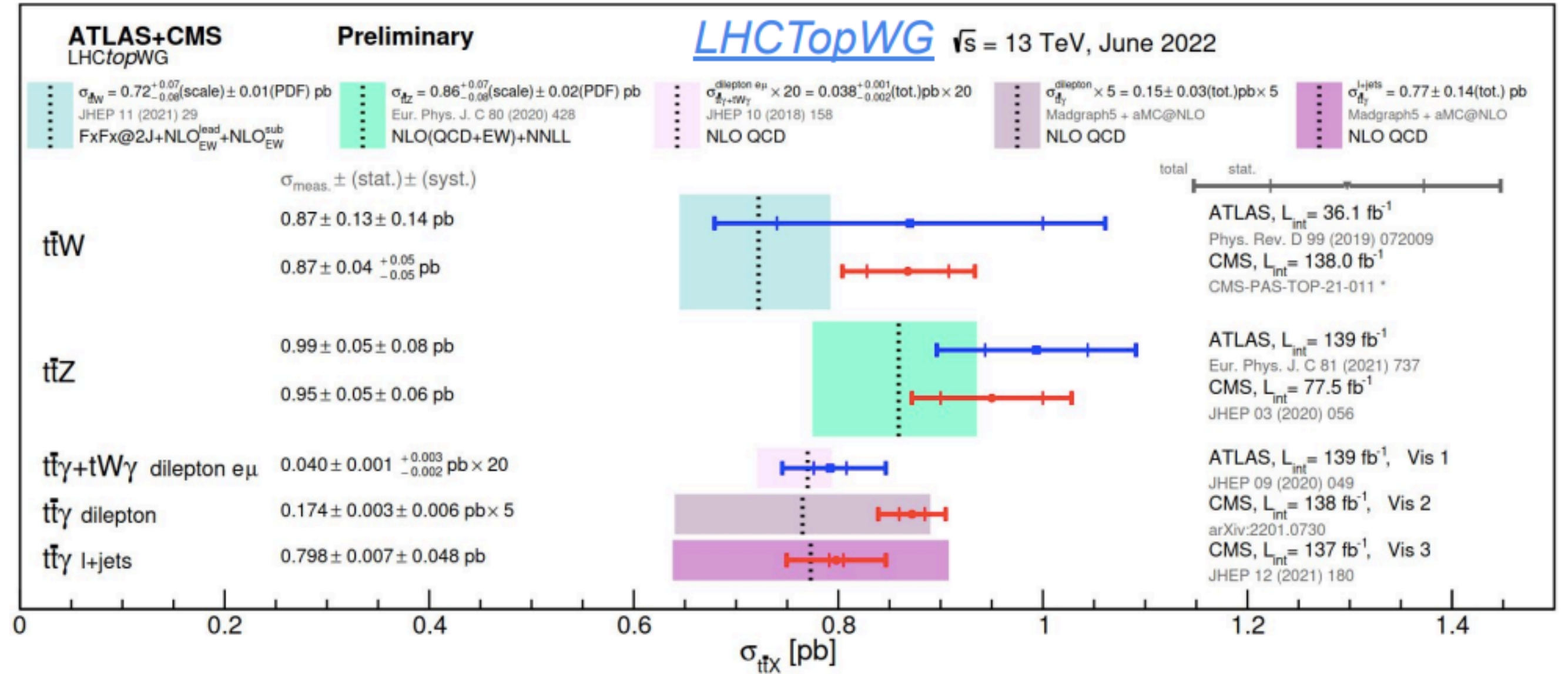
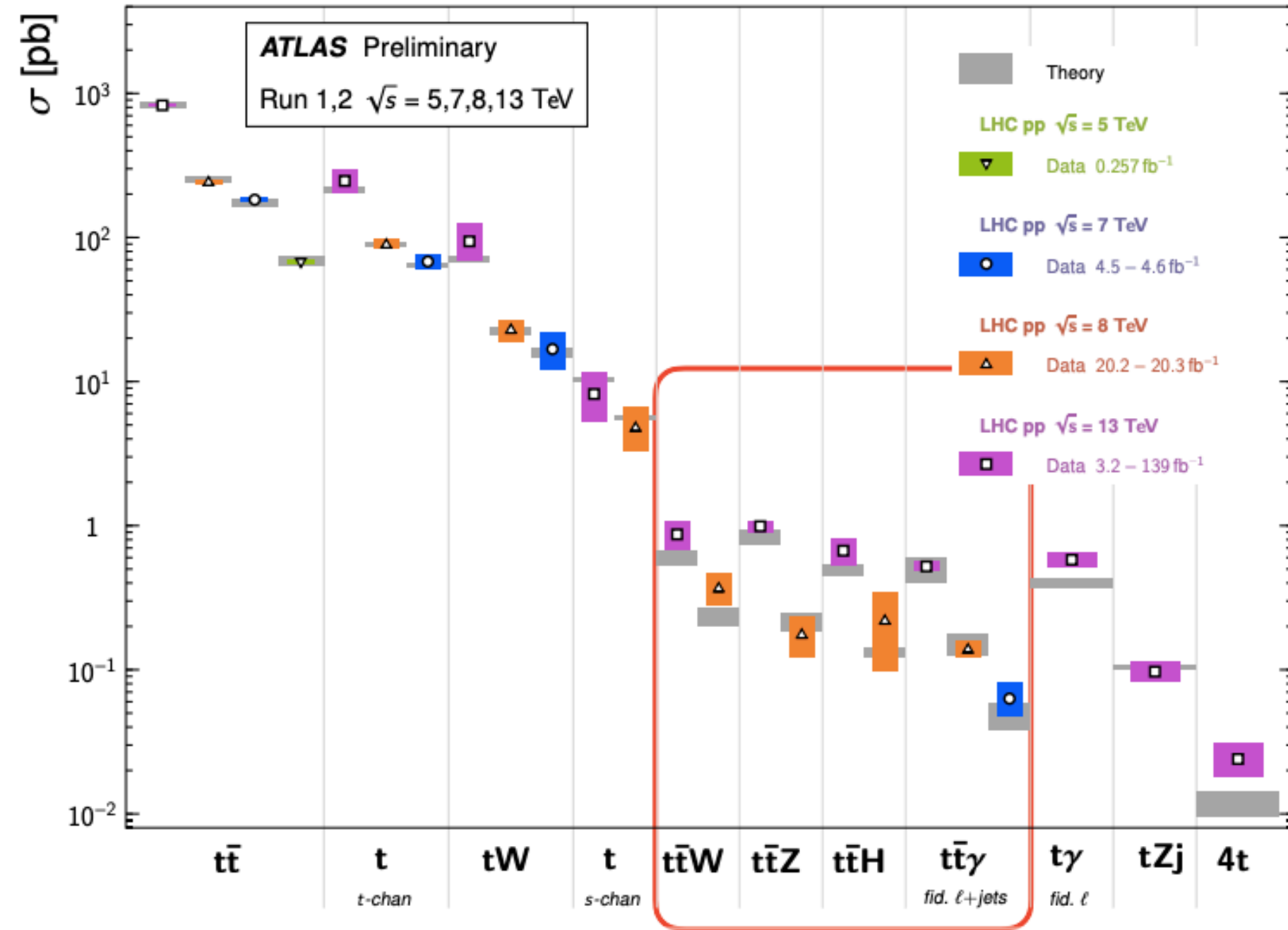
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3.3  $\sigma$  (3.9  $\sigma$ ) observed  
(expected) significance

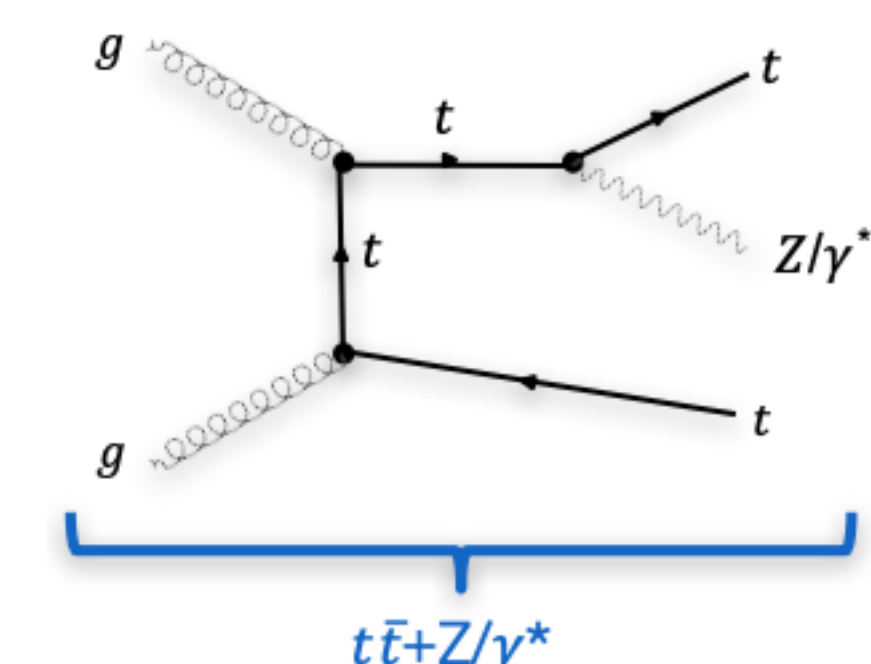
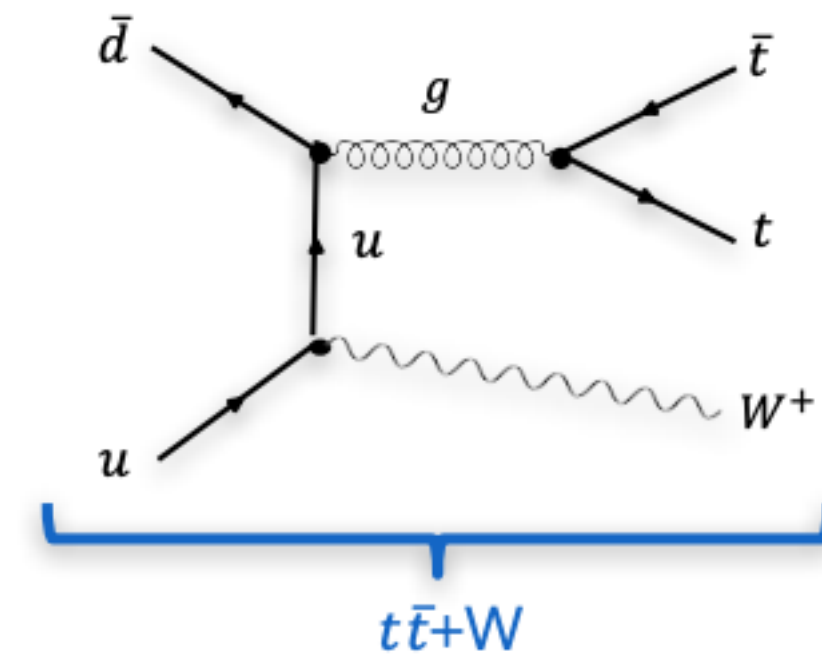
# tt+X production

Top Quark Production Cross Section Measurements

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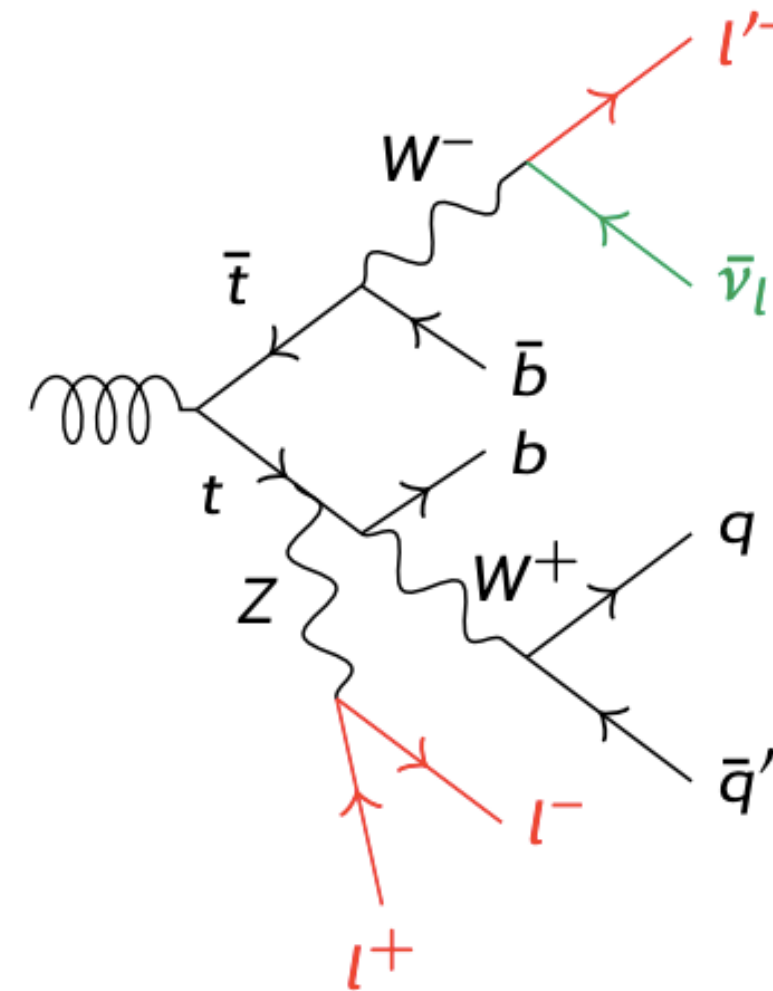


- ▶ High precision inclusive / differential measurements of  $tt+\gamma/Z/W$
- ▶ High purities in lepton-dominated final states
- ▶ Most lepton channels covered by ATLAS+CMS in Run 2



- ▶ Measurement of ttZ in multilepton channels
- ▶ Fit in lepton / jet / b-jet bins

Channel	$\mu_{t\bar{t}Z}$
Trilepton	$1.17 \pm 0.07$ (stat.) $^{+0.12}_{-0.11}$ (syst.)
Tetralepton	$1.21 \pm 0.15$ (stat.) $^{+0.11}_{-0.10}$ (syst.)
Combination (3 $\ell$ + 4 $\ell$ )	$1.19 \pm 0.06$ (stat.) $\pm 0.10$ (syst.)



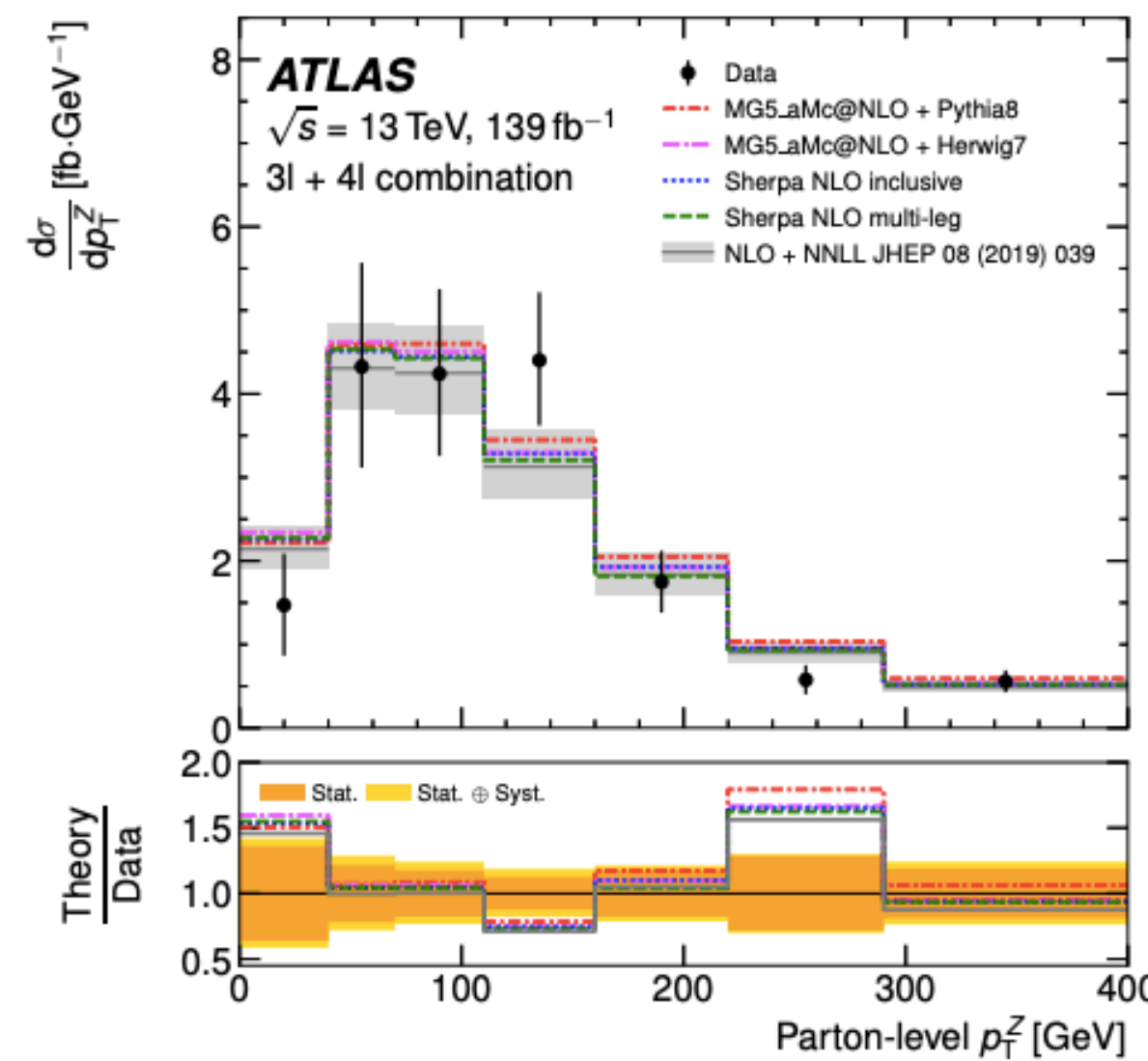
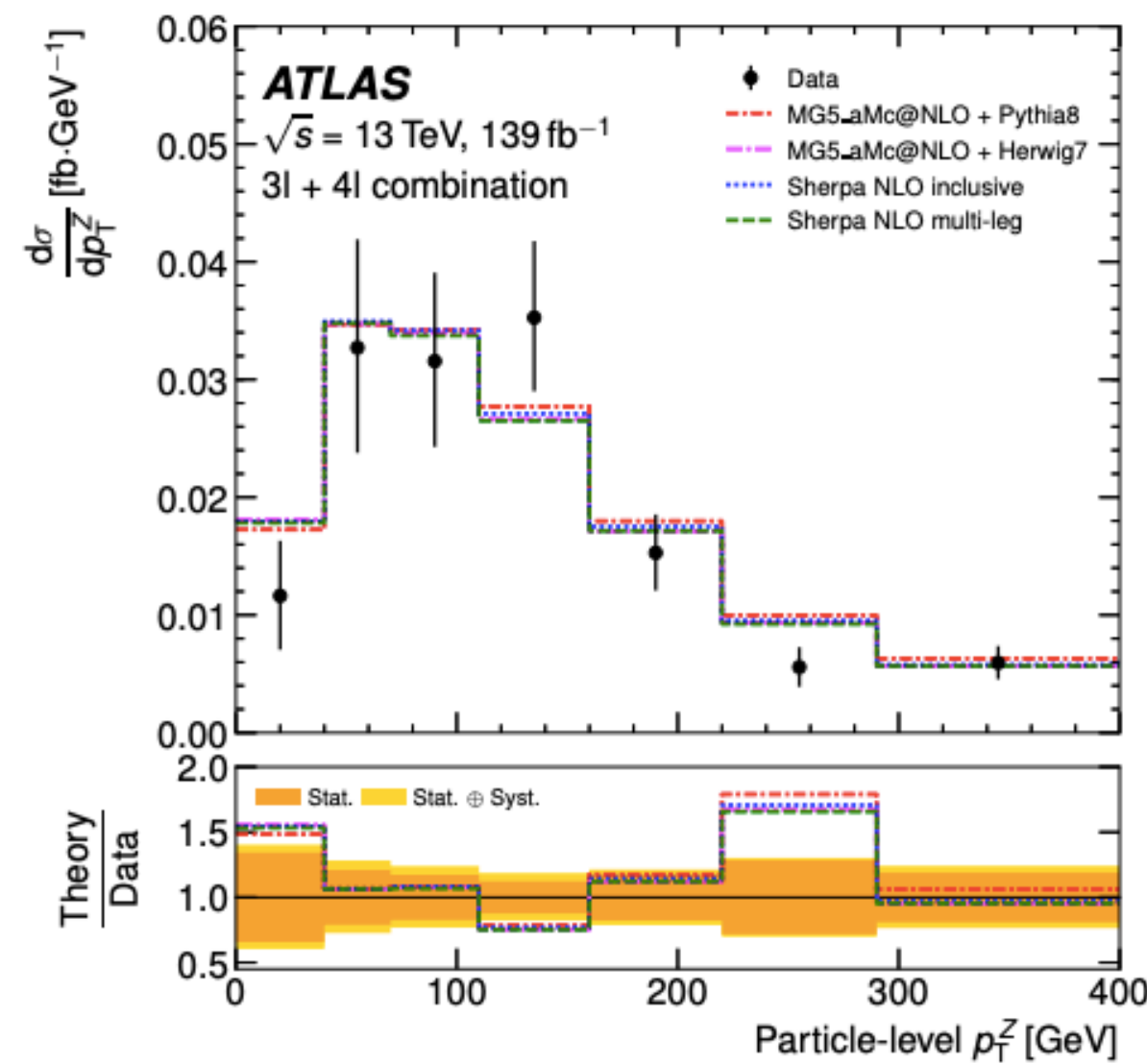
- ▶ Measured cross-section :

$$\sigma_{obs.}^{t\bar{t}Z} = 0.99 \pm 0.005(stat) \pm 0.08(syst.) pb$$

- ▶ NLO+NNLL calculation (EPJC 79 (2019) 249):

$$\sigma_{pred.}^{t\bar{t}Z} = 0.86^{+0.07}_{-0.08}(scale) \pm 0.03(pdf + \alpha_s) pb$$

- ▶ Dominated by PS modeling, backgrounds, b-tagging



- ▶ Differential measurement (parton and particle level)

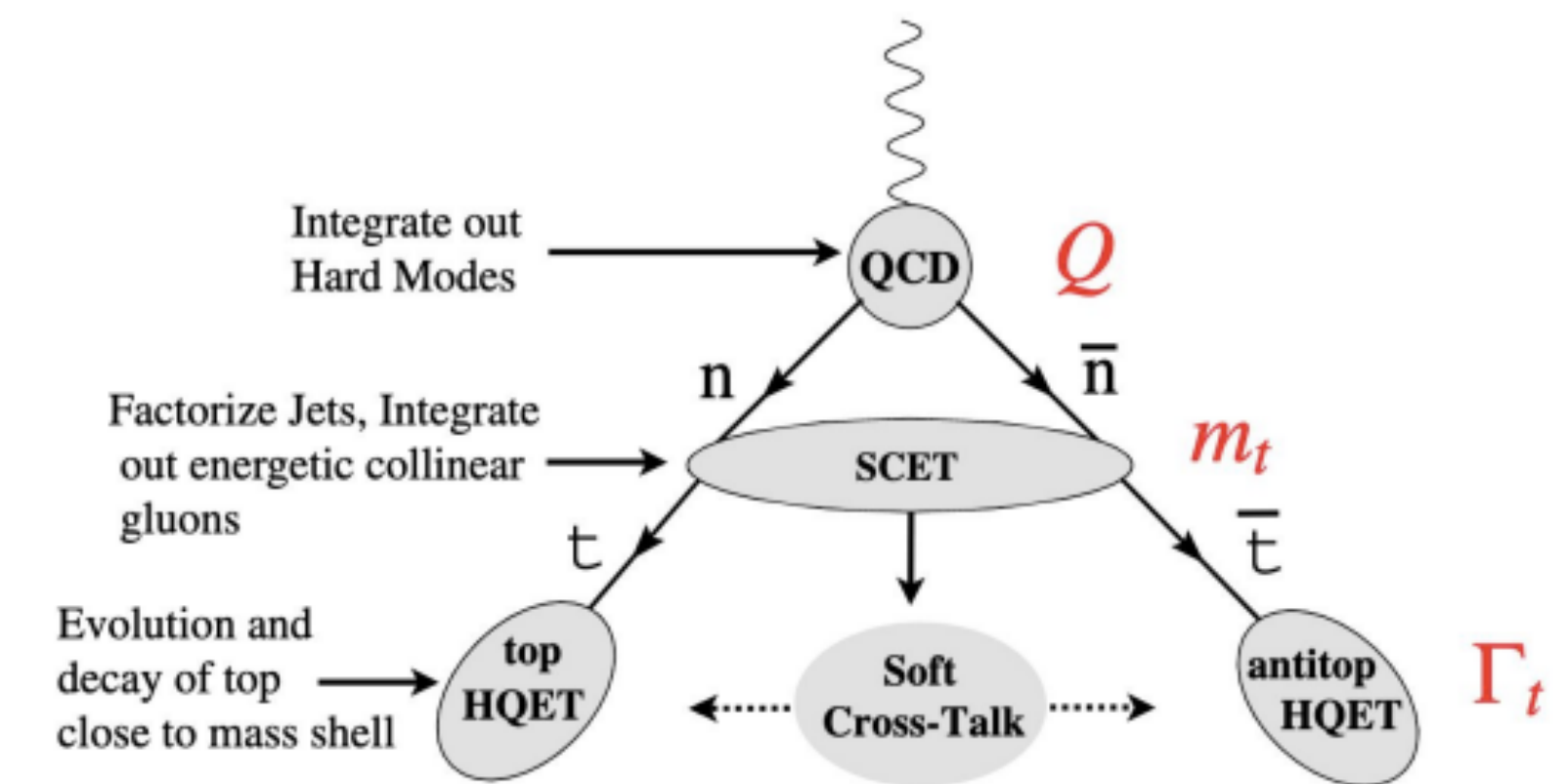
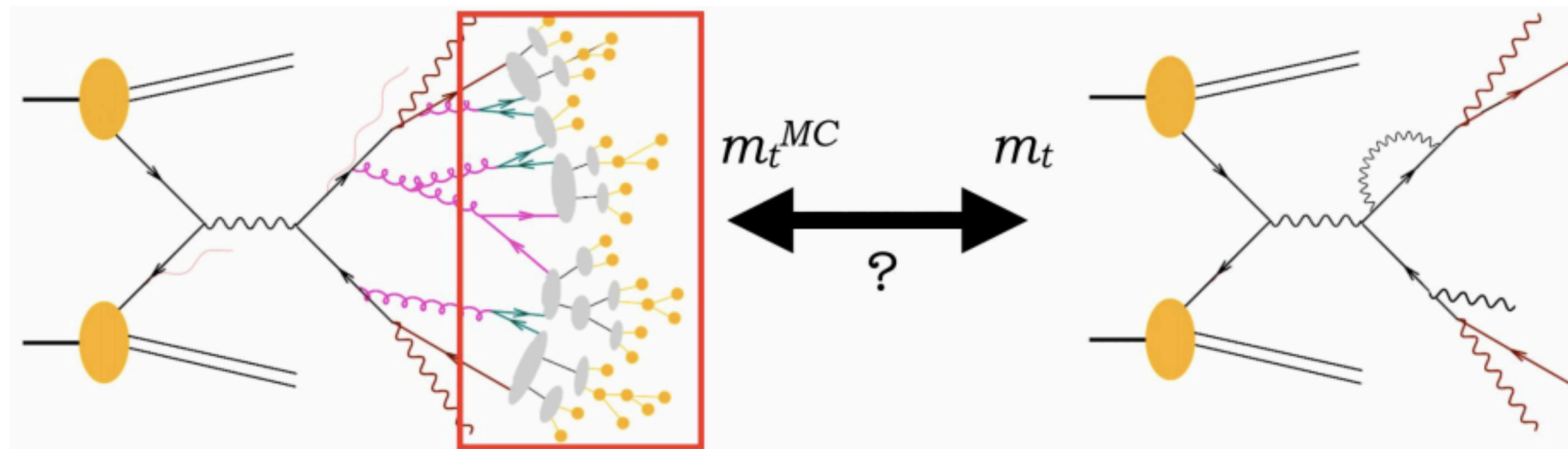
- ▶ Various observables in 3 $\ell$  and 4 $\ell$  channel

- ▶ Compared to multiple simulations and NLO+NNLL calculation (JHEP 08, 039 (2019))

- ▶ (Similar trends for most simulations and calculations)

# Top mass measurement

## Classes of top quark mass measurements



### “Direct” measurements:

- ▶ reconstruct invariant mass of top quark decay products
- ▶ Can be very precise ( $\sim 0.3$  GeV)
- ▶ Depends on the details of the MC simulation

### “Indirect” measurements:

- ▶ Measure observable directly sensitive to  $m_t$  (e.g. inclusive / differential  $\sigma^{t\bar{t}}$ )
- ▶ Compare to theory prediction in well-defined renormalisation scheme

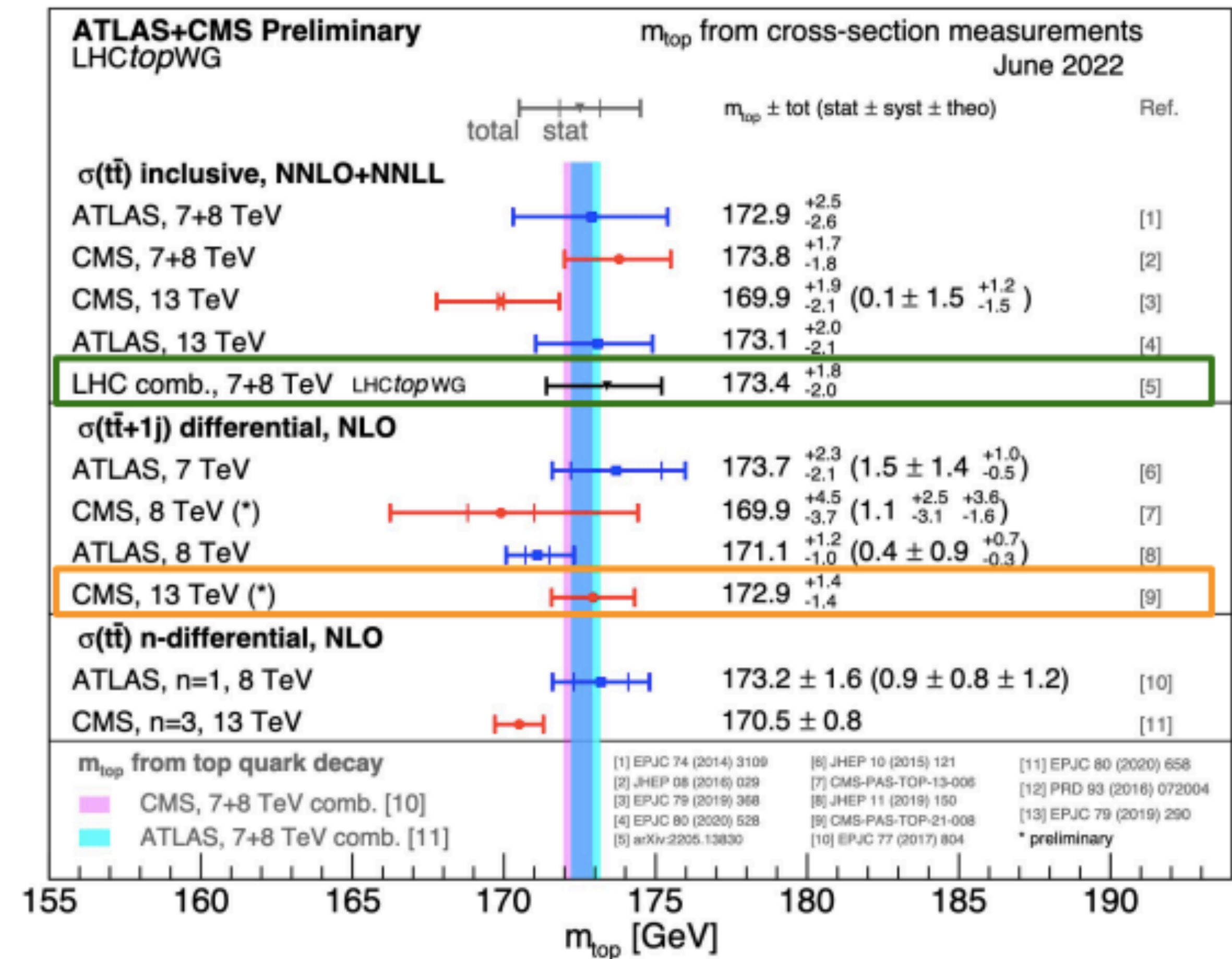
### “Third way”:

- ▶ jet mass in boosted top decays can be calculated using SC-EFT
- ▶  $\rightarrow$  can provide info on relation between  $m_t^{MC}$  and  $m_t$  (MSR)

# Top quark mass measurement

## Top quark mass from cross sections: where do we stand

- ▶ New result from combined ATLAS+CMS inclusive  $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$  at 7+8 TeV
- ▶ New measurement from  $t\bar{t}+1\text{jet}$  invariant mass from CMS
- ▶ Results obtained with different methods overall in good agreement
- ▶ Top mass is known to high precision ( $\sim 0.3\%$  / 0.5 GeV)



# Rare top quark production processes

Run 2 data allow to probe the rarest processes with the lowest cross sections

- ▶ Stringent tests of the Standard Model
- ▶ Tiny anomalies may appear from new physics and can be explored in EFT

## Flavour Changing Neutral Currents (FCNC)

- ▶ FCNC processes are forbidden at tree level and highly suppressed at higher order in the Standard Model (SM)

FCNC couplings can be described by an EFT:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}^2} \sum_k c_k \mathcal{O}_k$$

$\Lambda_{\text{NP}}$  ... scale of new physics

$\mathcal{O}_k$  ... dimension-6 operator

Many results of searches for FCNC and rare SM processes involving top quarks

- ▶  $tqg$
- ▶  $tqZ$
- ▶  $t\bar{t}\bar{t}$
- ▶ single top s-channel
- ▶  $tq\gamma$
- ▶  $tqH$
- ▶  $t\gamma$
- ▶  $t\bar{t}W$  charge asymmetry

- ▶ First search for the leptonic charge asymmetry of  $t\bar{t}W$  in the 3l final state using the full Run2 dataset

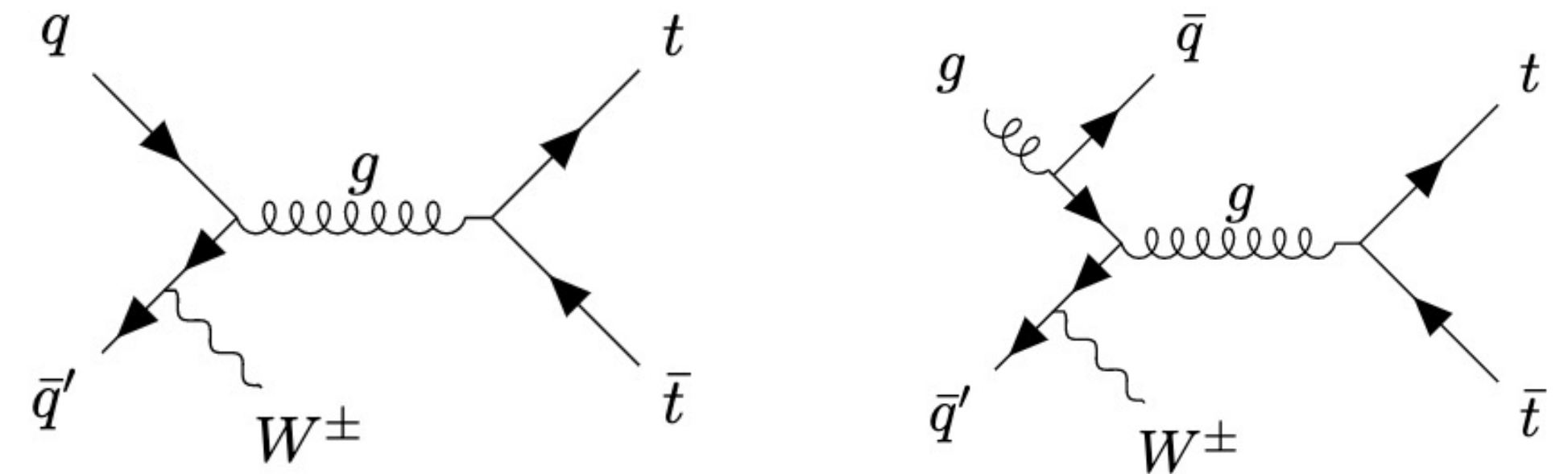
- ▶ Leptonic Charge Asymmetry:

$$A_C^l = \frac{N(\Delta_\eta^l > 0) - N(\Delta_\eta^l < 0)}{N(\Delta_\eta^l > 0) + N(\Delta_\eta^l < 0)}, \text{ where } \Delta_\eta^l = |\eta_{\bar{l}}| - |\eta_l|$$

- ▶  $t\bar{t}W$  process presents larger  $A_C^l$  prediction wrt.  $t\bar{t}$ :

- ▶  $q\bar{q}$  dominated initial state
- ▶ ISR  $W$  boson polarizes the top pair

- ▶ Lepton-top association is done using a BDT



- ▶ Observed  $A_C^l$  at reconstruction level:

$$A_C^l (t\bar{t}W) = -0.123 \pm 0.136(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.051(\text{syst.})$$

$$\text{Expected: } A_C^l (t\bar{t}W)_{SM} = -0.084_{-0.003}^{+0.005} (\text{scale}) \pm 0.006 (\text{MC stat.})$$

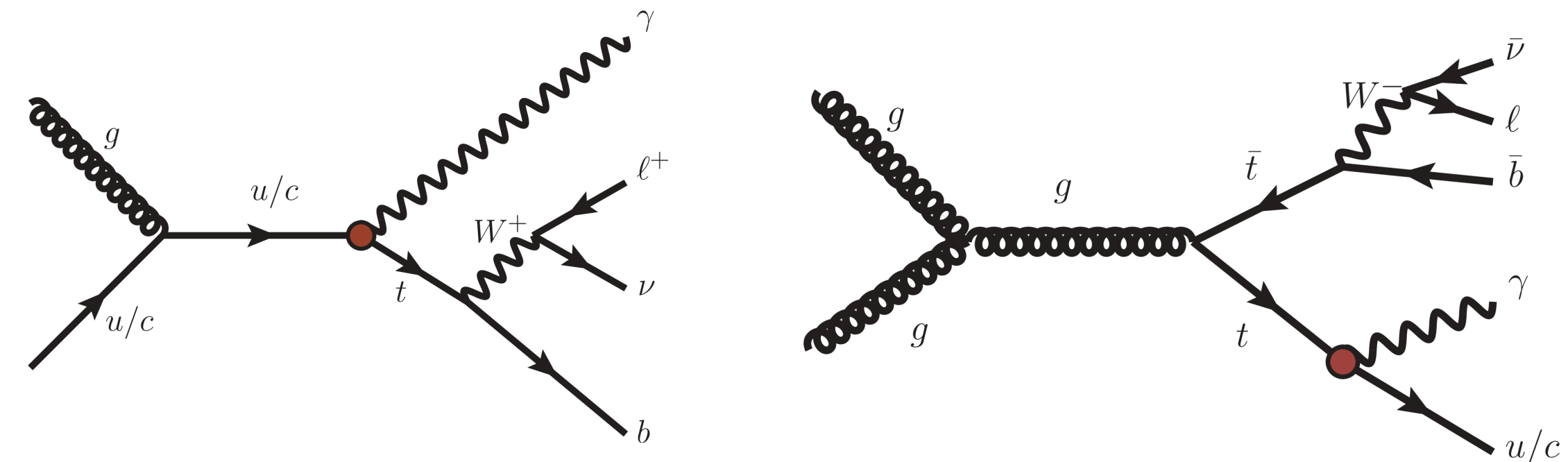
- ▶ Unfolding to particle level:

$$A_C^l (t\bar{t}W)^{PL} = -0.112 \pm 0.170 (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.055 (\text{syst.})$$

$$\text{Expected: } A_C^l (t\bar{t}W)_{SM}^{PL} = -0.063_{-0.004}^{+0.007} (\text{scale}) \pm 0.004 (\text{MC stat.})$$

- ▶ Analysis is dominated by statistical uncertainties

- ▶ Target both production and decay of FCNC  $tq\gamma$  vertices
- ▶ Background estimation
  - ▶  $e \rightarrow \gamma$ : estimate a fake factor to correct simulation
  - ▶  $h \rightarrow \gamma$ : transfer factor from control region
- ▶ Two neural network targeting  $tu\gamma$  and  $tc\gamma$  signal separately



## ▶ Upper limits of BR

Effective coupling	Coefficient limits		Coupling	BRs [ $10^{-5}$ ]	
	Expected	Observed		Expected	Observed
$ C_{uW}^{(13)*} + C_{uB}^{(13)*} $	$0.104^{+0.020}_{-0.016}$	0.103	$t \rightarrow u\gamma$ LH	$0.88^{+0.37}_{-0.25}$	0.85
$ C_{uW}^{(31)} + C_{uB}^{(31)} $	$0.122^{+0.023}_{-0.018}$	0.123	$t \rightarrow u\gamma$ RH	$1.20^{+0.50}_{-0.33}$	1.22
$ C_{uW}^{(23)*} + C_{uB}^{(23)*} $	$0.205^{+0.037}_{-0.031}$	0.227	$t \rightarrow c\gamma$ LH	$3.40^{+1.35}_{-0.95}$	4.16
$ C_{uW}^{(32)} + C_{uB}^{(32)} $	$0.214^{+0.039}_{-0.032}$	0.235	$t \rightarrow c\gamma$ RH	$3.70^{+1.47}_{-1.03}$	4.46

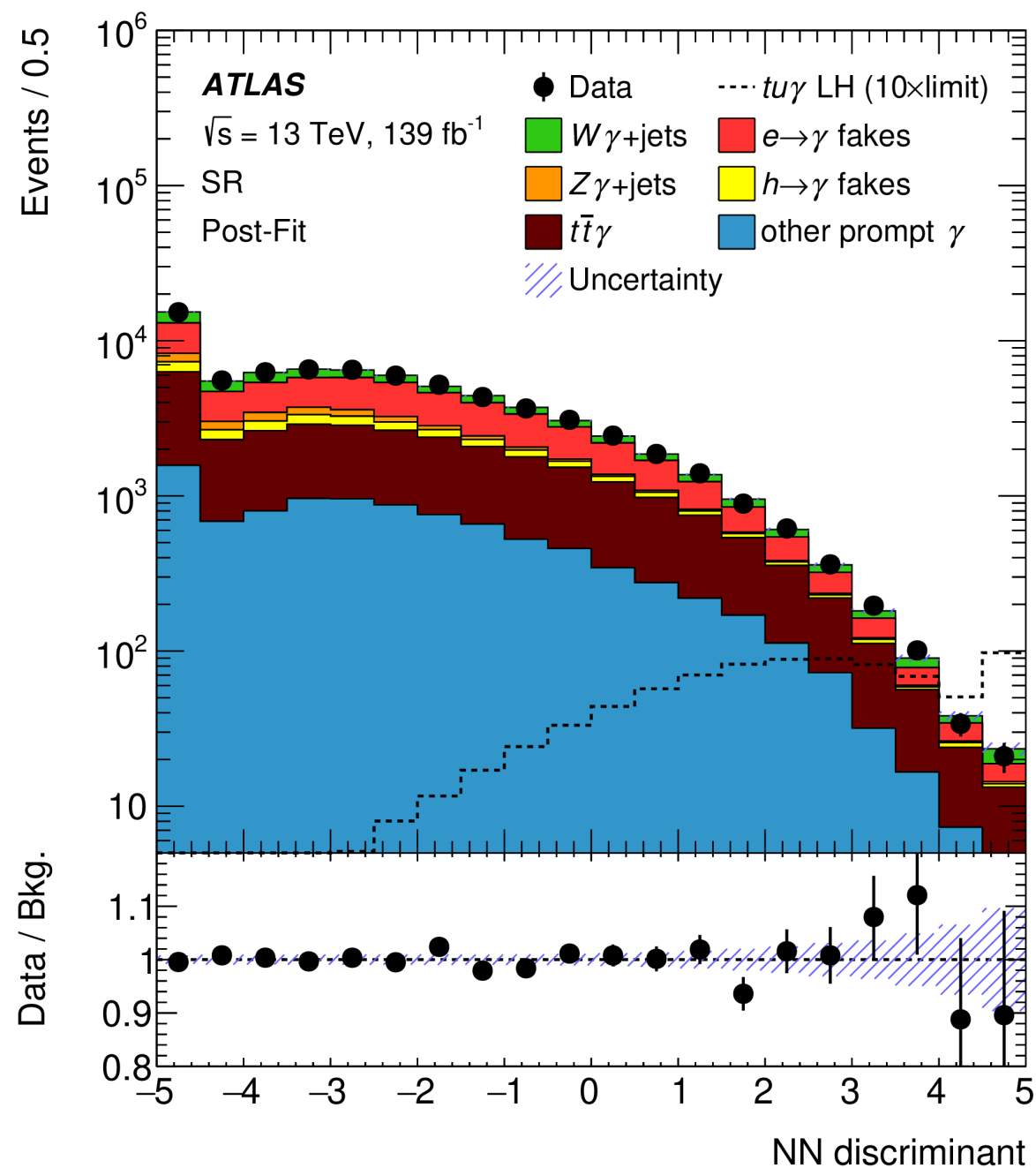
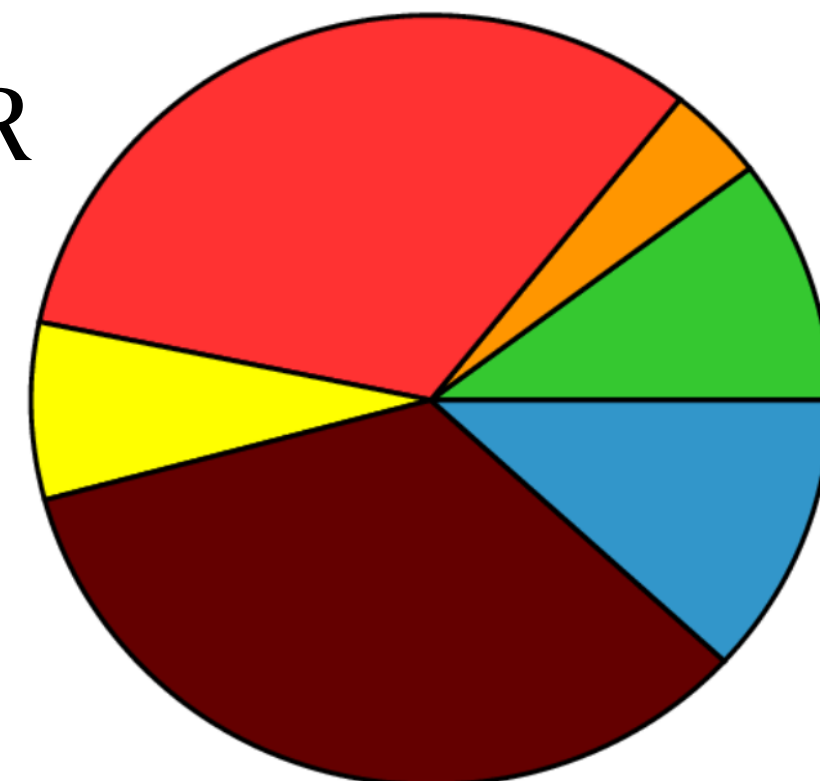
- ▶ Major systematic: **statistical uncertainty**
- ▶ **Factor of 3.3 – 5.4 improvement wrt ATLAS 13 TeV 81 fb<sup>-1</sup> results**
  - ▶ More signal region, more optimised analysis and higher luminosity

## ATLAS Simulation

$\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV

- other prompt  $\gamma$
- $h \rightarrow \gamma$  fakes
- $Z\gamma$  +jets
- $t\bar{t}\gamma$
- $e \rightarrow \gamma$  fakes
- $W\gamma$  +jets

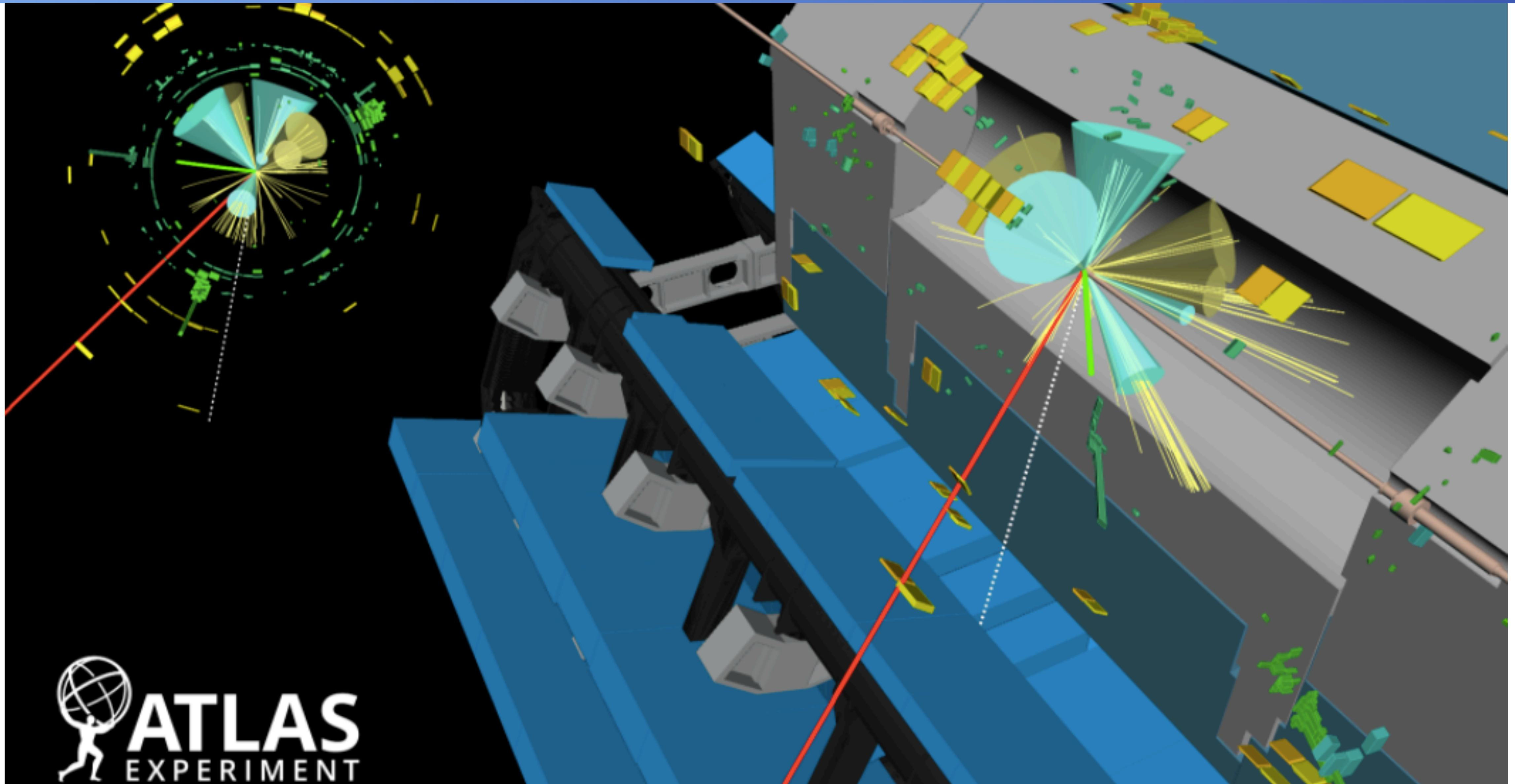
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# $t\bar{t}$ production

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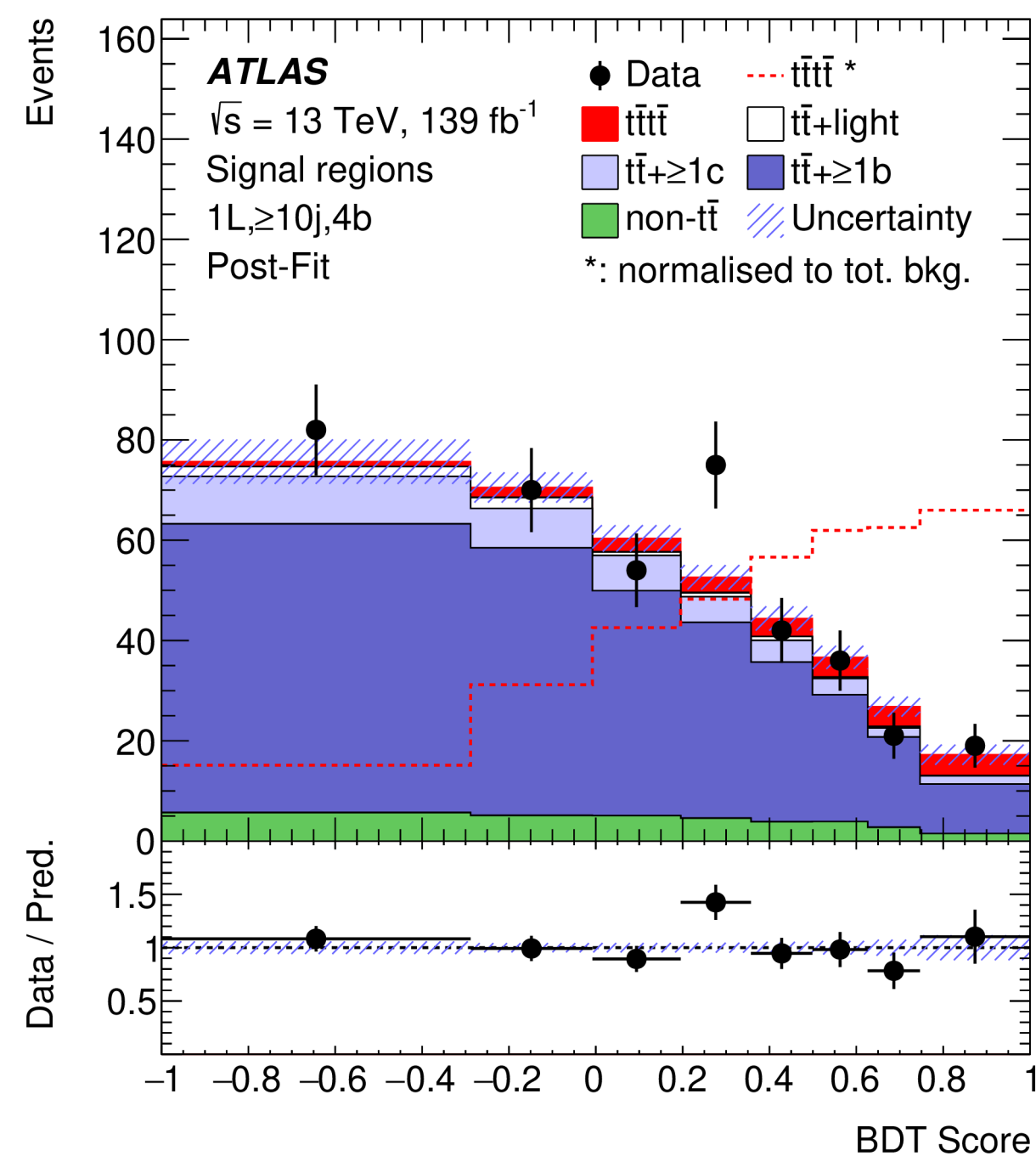
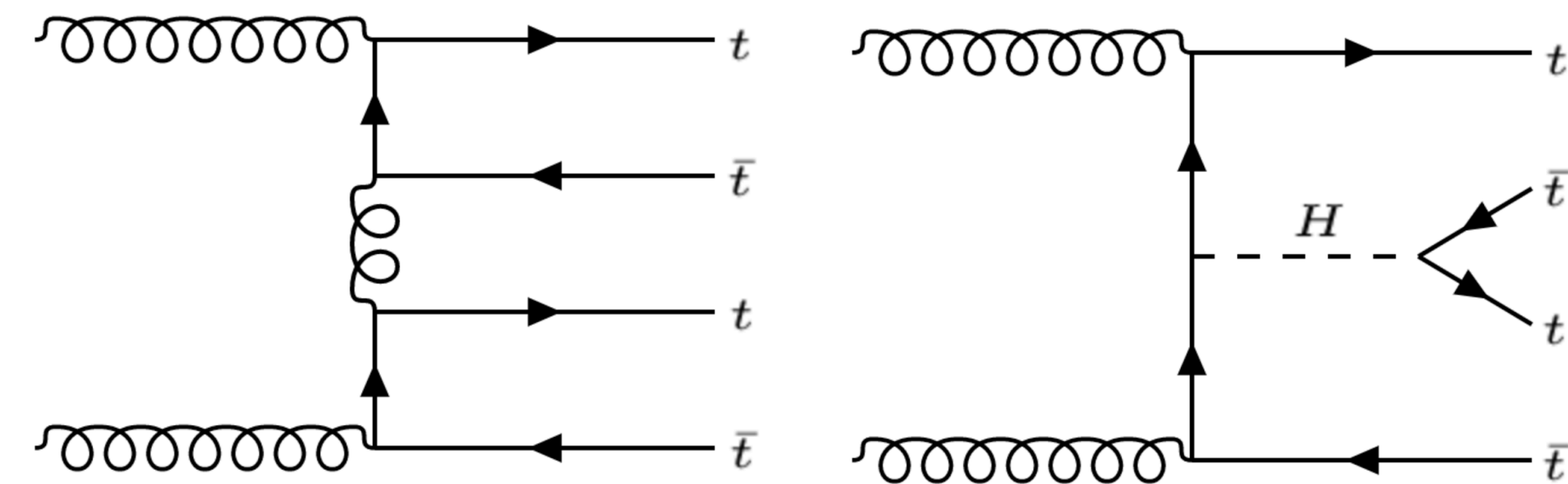
# $t\bar{t}\bar{t}$ production

► **Measurements done in the all of the leptonic final states**

► SS dilepton and multi-lepton channel (**2LSS/ML**) -> **Eur. Phys. J. C 80 (2020)**

► single-lepton and OS dilepton channel (**1L/2LOS**) -> **this talk**

► Never observed by ATLAS or CMS yet

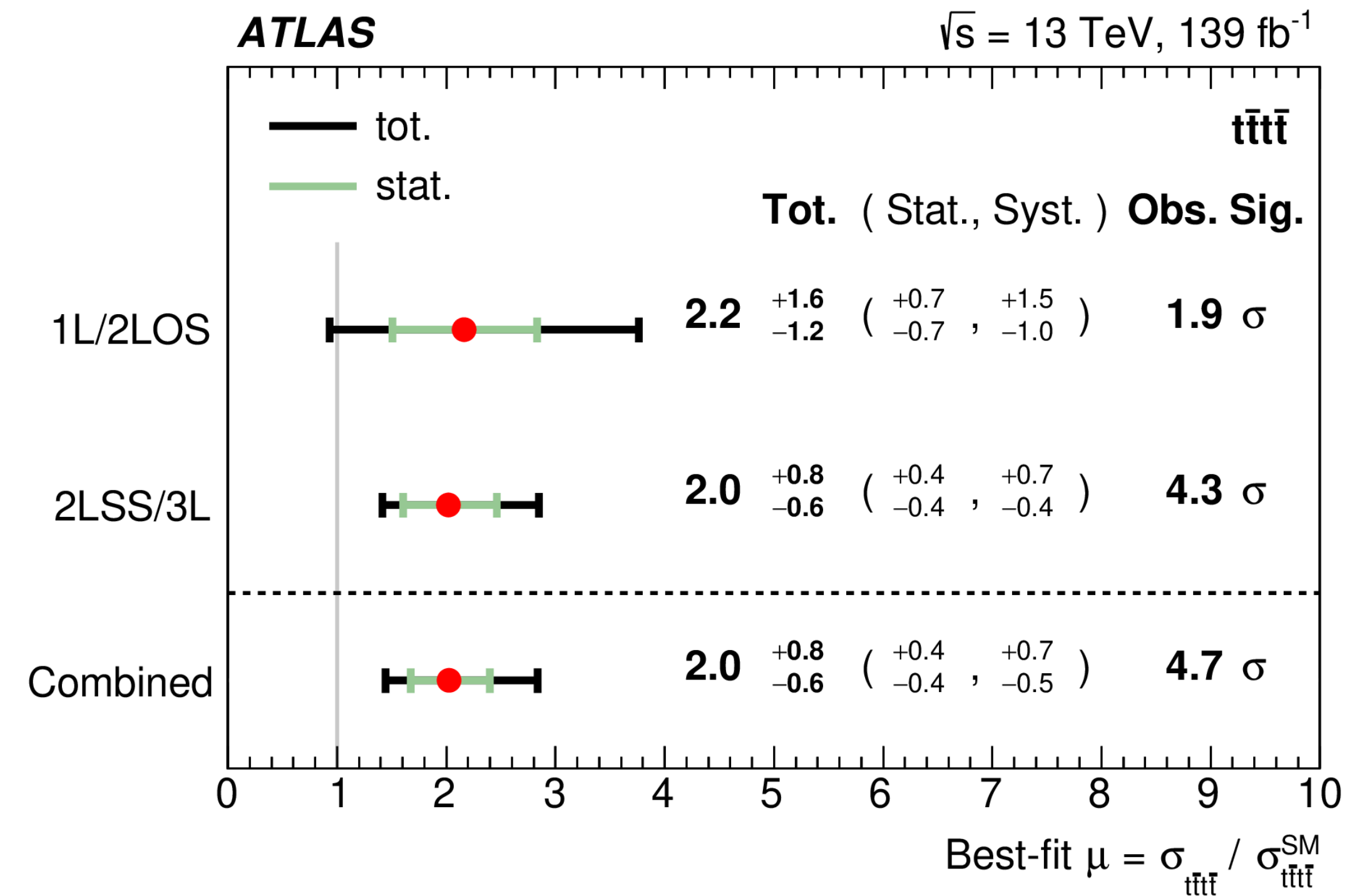
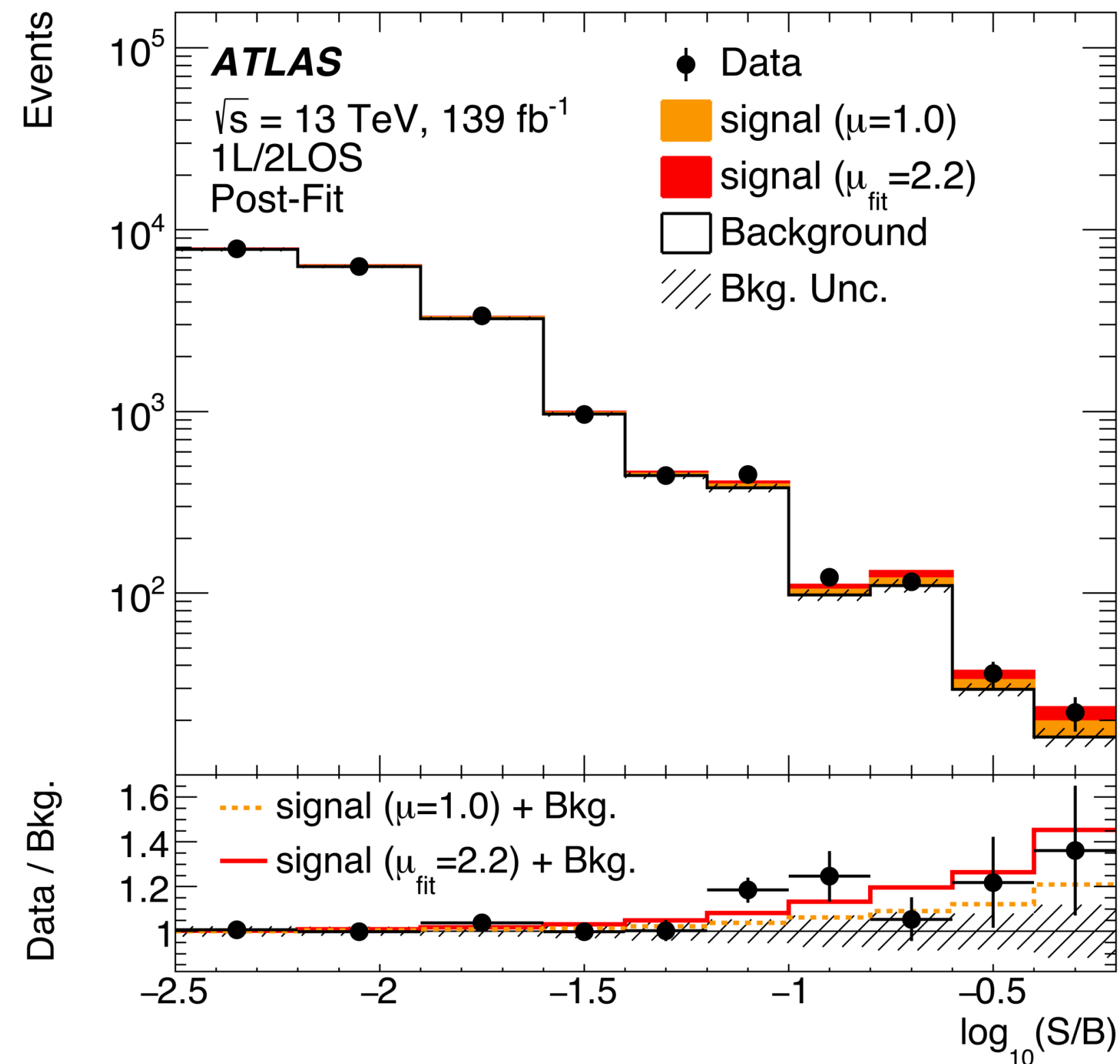


► BDT that is used to separate the signal from the background

► Targeting events with high jet and b-jet multiplicities

► 4-top final state features 10 (8) jets in 1L (2LOS) and 4 b-jets at truth level

►  $t\bar{t}$ +jets background is estimated using corrected MC simulations



Measured cross section for 1L/2LOS :

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}} = 26^{+17}_{-15} \text{ fb}$$

- With an observed (expected) significance of 1.9 (1.0)  $\sigma$
- Uncertainties dominated by 4-top and  $t\bar{t}$ +HF modelling uncertainties

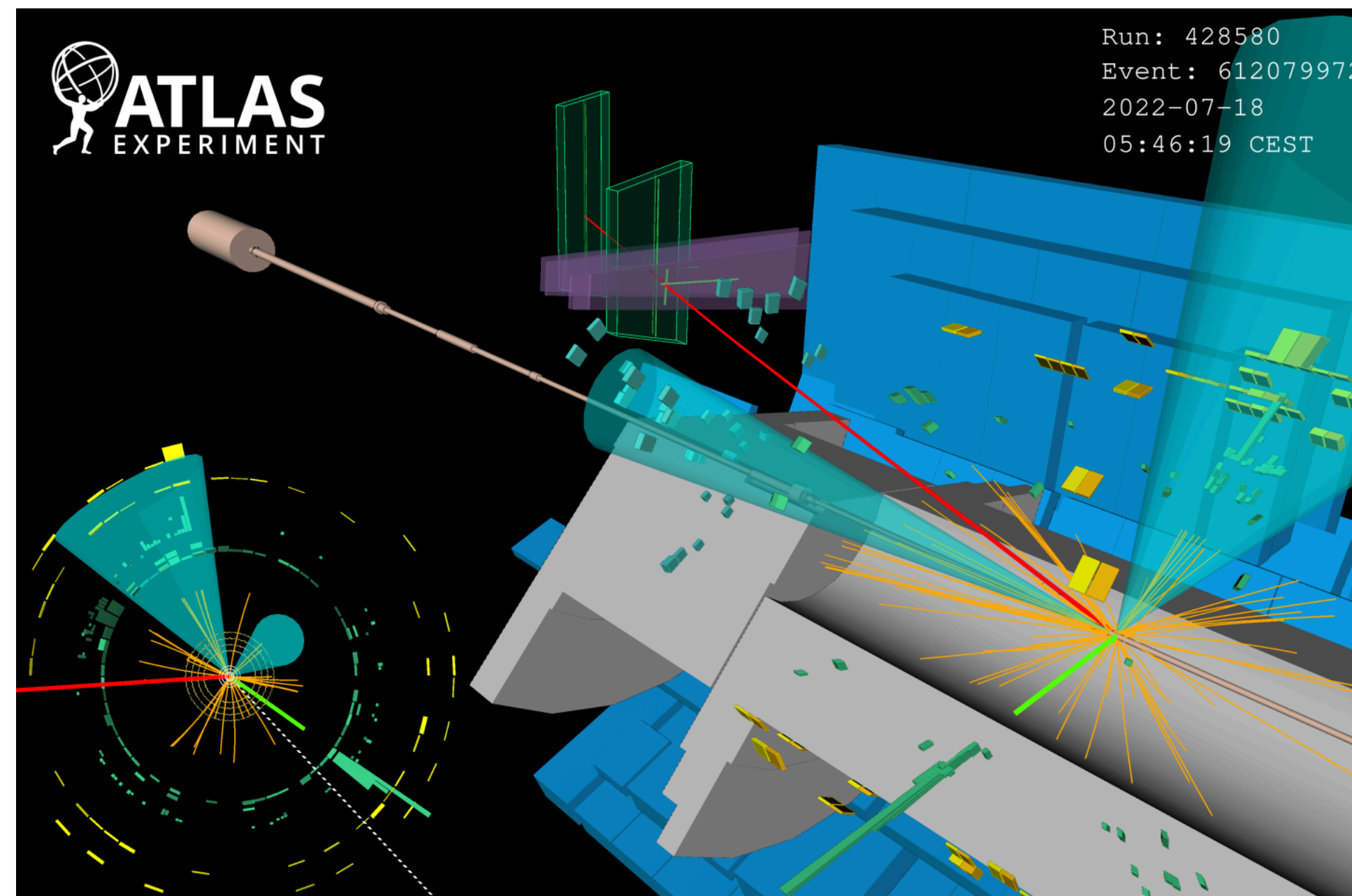
Combined cross section with 2LSS/3L analysis :

$$24^{+7}_{-6} \text{ fb}$$

- With an observed (expected) significance of 4.7 (2.6)  $\sigma$
- To be compared with the 4.3  $\sigma$  observed significance from 2LSS/3L analysis

# Summary

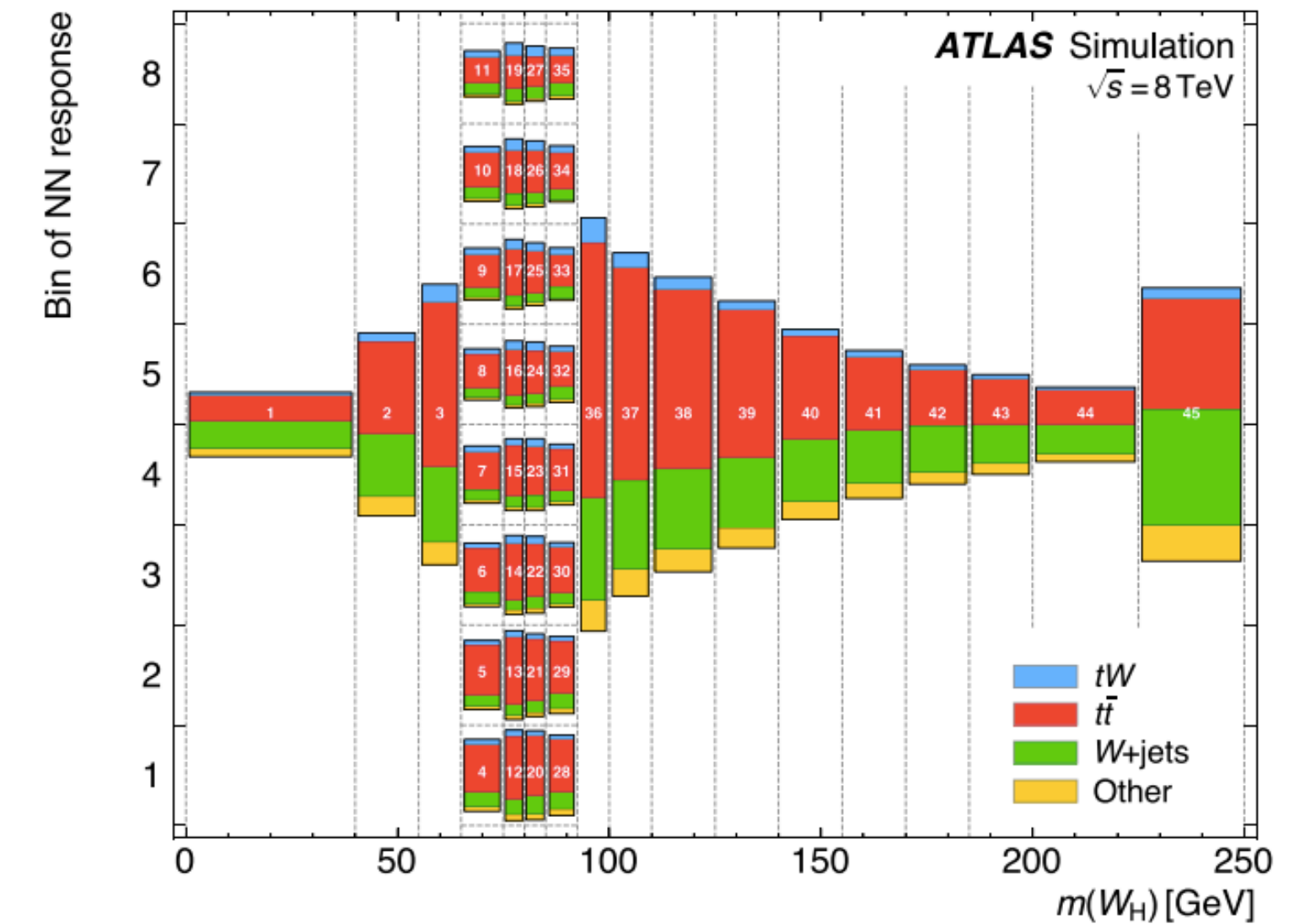
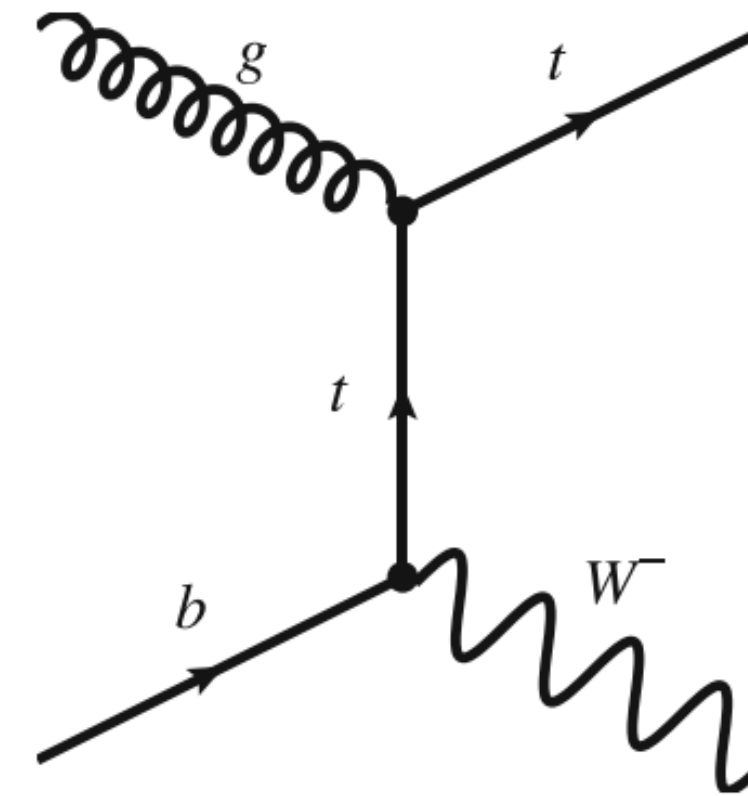
- ▶ The ATLAS experiment has an extensive program of top-quark measurements
- ▶ All measurements consistent with the Standard Model predictions
- ▶ Large potential to improve the MC configurations for the future
- ▶ LHC Run 3 will bring new top quark physics results



**Backup**

## ► Strategy:

- Signal region: **3j1b**. Jets with  $p_T > 30$  GeV.
- A neural network is trained to separate between  $tW$  and  $tt$ .
- A 2-dimensional discriminant is constructed with the neural network output in  $65 \text{ GeV} < m_{WH} < 92.5 \text{ GeV}$  and with the remaining  $m(WH)$  variable.
- The cross section is extracted from a binned profile maximumlikelihood fit to the 2-dimensional discriminant.



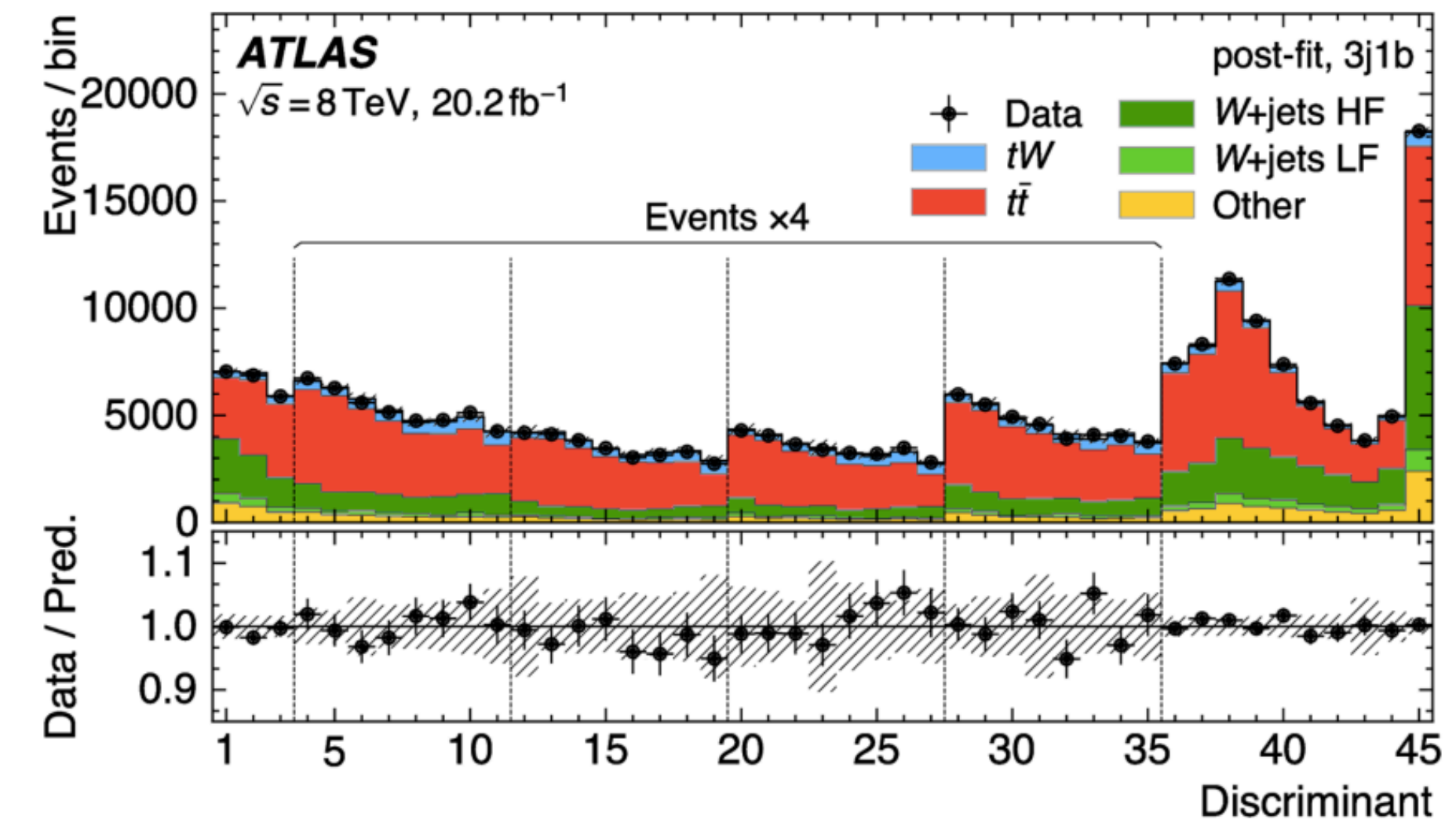
## ► Measured cross-section :

$$\sigma_{obs.} = 26 \pm 7 \text{ pb}$$

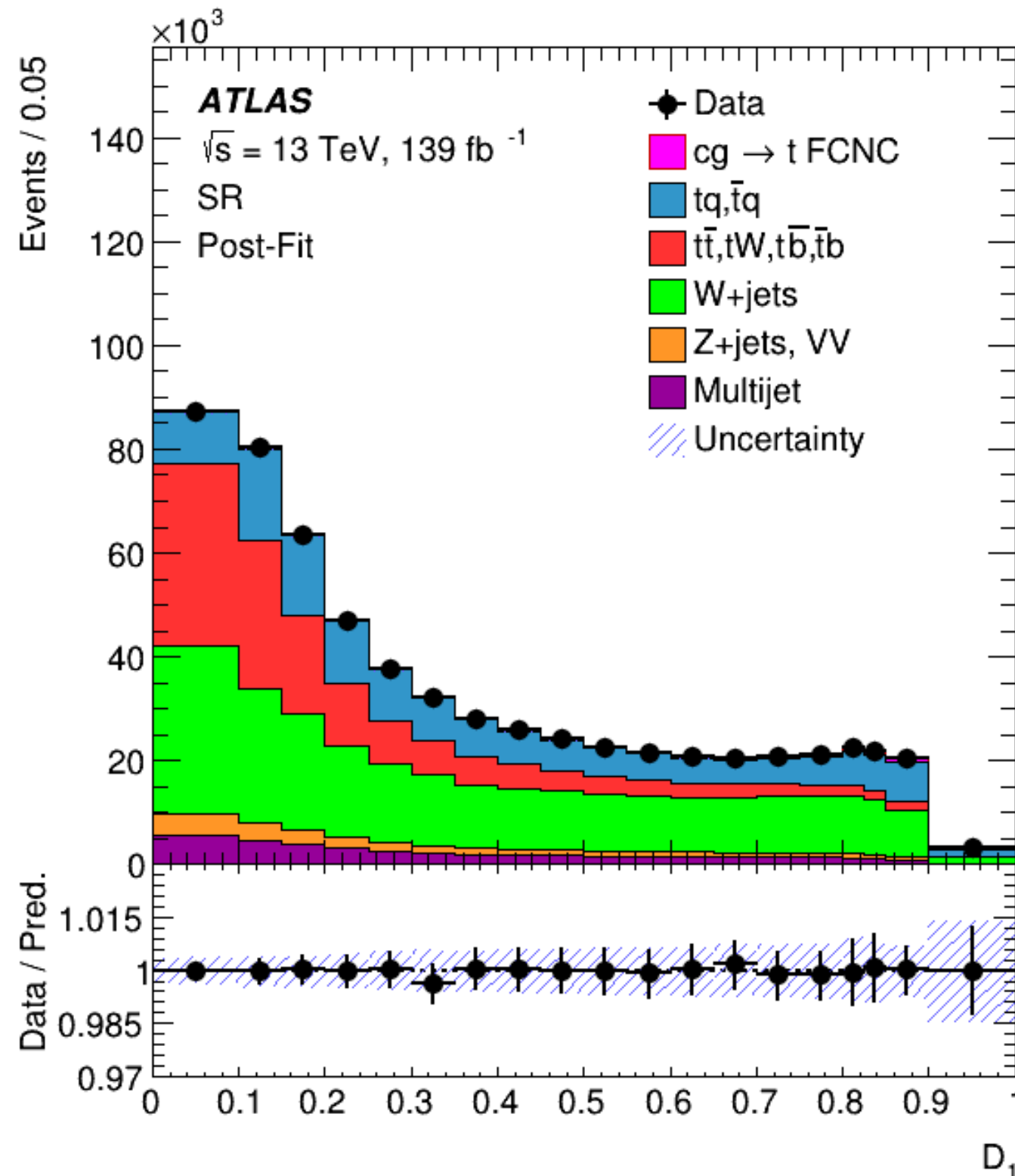
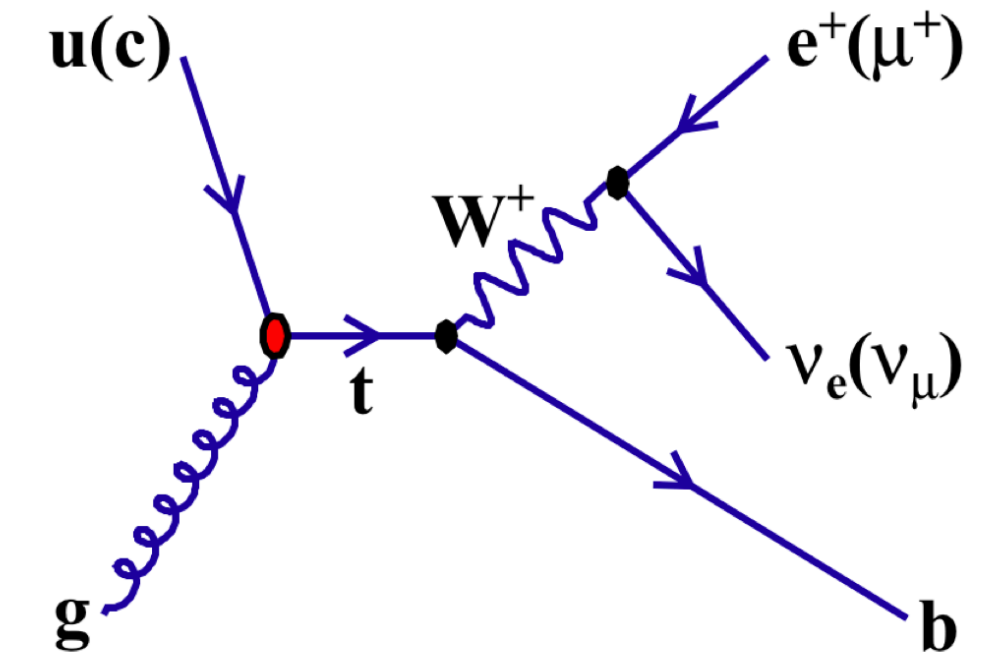
$$\sigma_{pred.} = 22.4 \pm 1.5 \text{ pb}$$

Source	Uncertainty [%]
Jet energy scale	10
$b$ -tagging	8
Jet energy resolution	7
$t\bar{t}$ radiation	10
$tW$ radiation	9
$tW-t\bar{t}$ interference	7

4.5  $\sigma$  (3.9  $\sigma$ ) observed (expected) significance



- ▶ Probes single top quark production via FCNC
- ▶ Reconstruct top in  $t \rightarrow e / \mu vb$  final states, where  $t \rightarrow \tau vb$  may also contribute
  - ▶ =1 lepton,  $\geq 1$  b-jet,  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 30$  GeV,  $m_T(W) > 50$  GeV
  - ▶ Nr. of b-jet to define validation region, in signal region =1 b-jet



- ▶ The analysis targets separate contributions from  $cgt$  and  $ugt$ 
  - ▶ Two Neural Network were used to construct two discriminants  $D_1$  ( $cgt$ ),  $D_2$  ( $ugt$ )

- ▶ Upper limits on the production:

$$\sigma(ugt) \times \mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wb) \times \mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow \ell\nu) < 3.0 \text{ pb} \quad 2.4 \text{ pb exp.}$$

$$\sigma(cgt) \times \mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wb) \times \mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow \ell\nu) < 4.7 \text{ pb} \quad 2.5 \text{ pb exp.}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow \ell\nu) = 0.325$$

- ▶ Leading systematics:  $ugt$ : related to W+jets process  
 $cgt$ : modelling of the parton shower

► Target both production and decay of FCNC  $tqZ$  vertices:

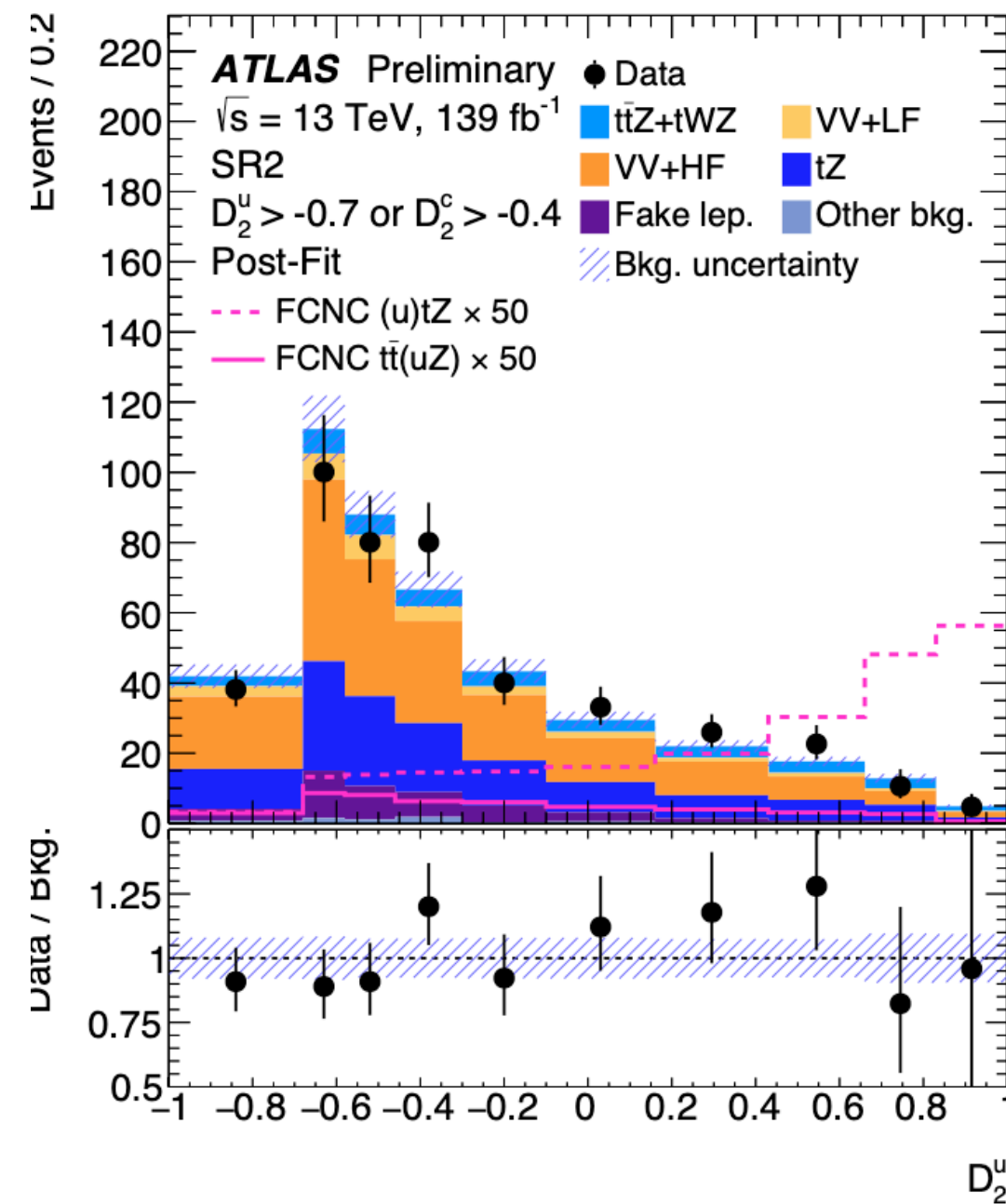
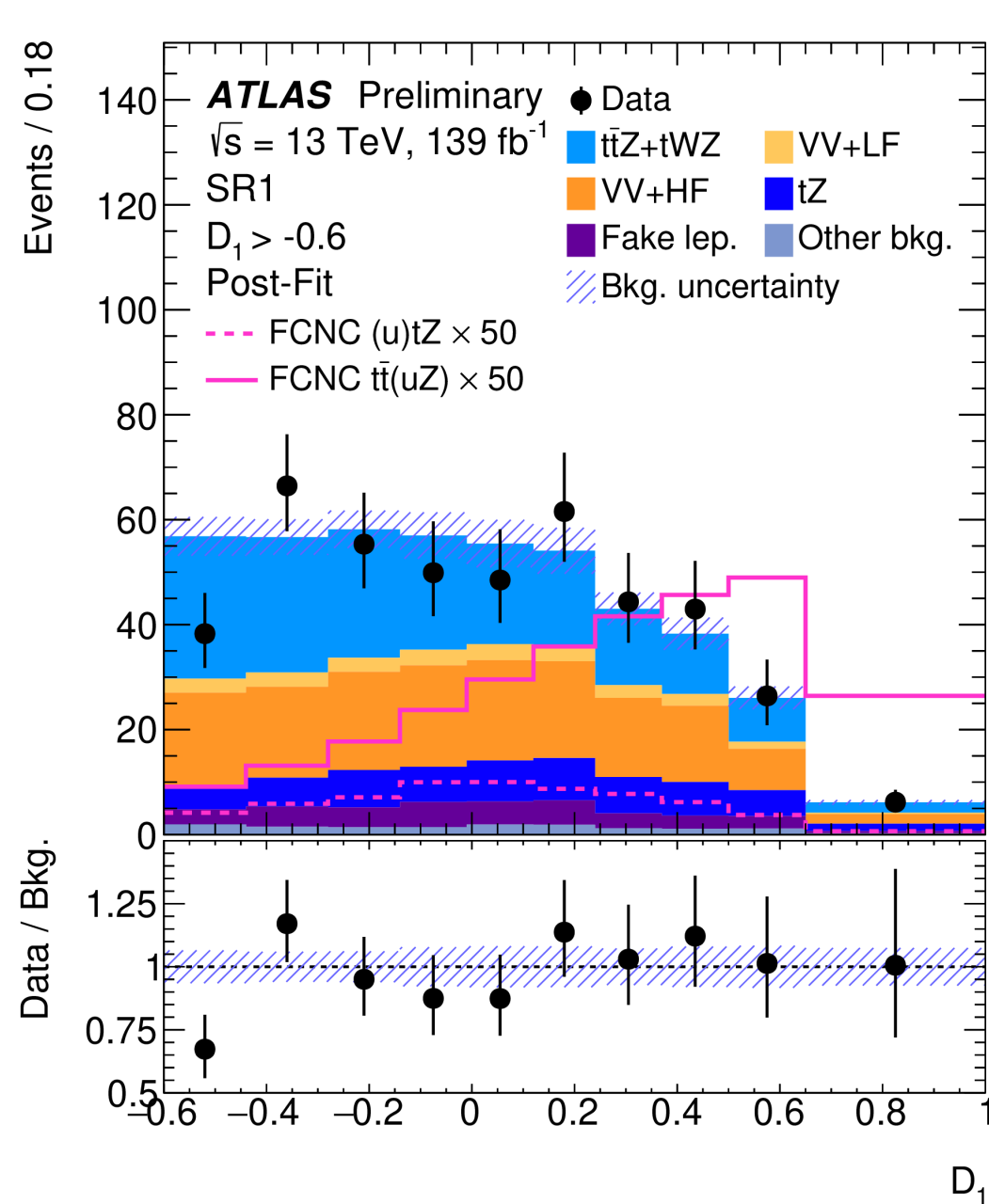
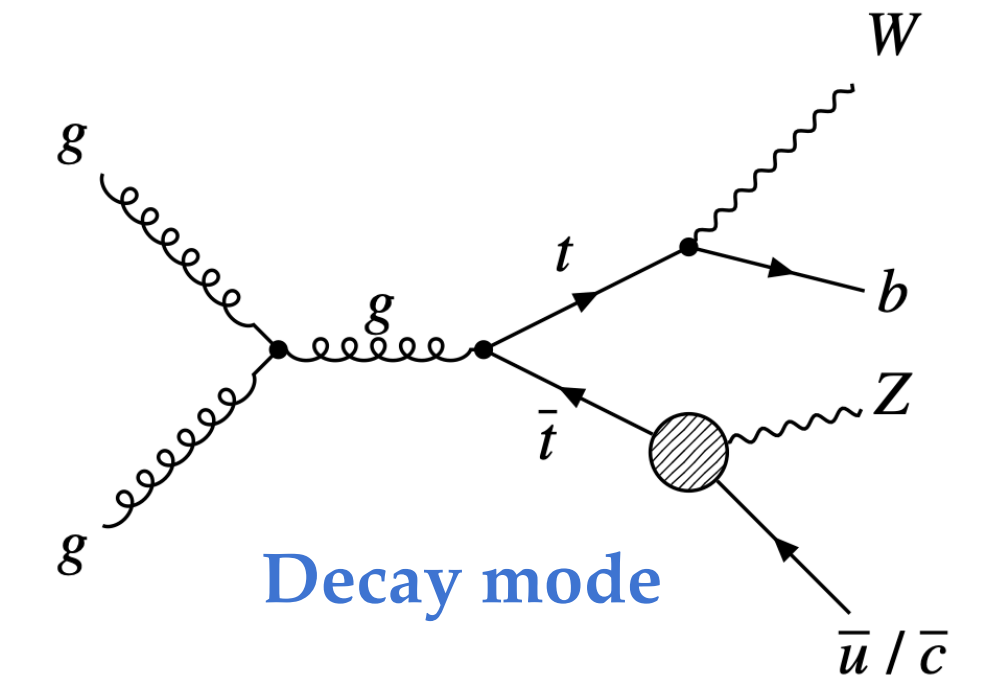
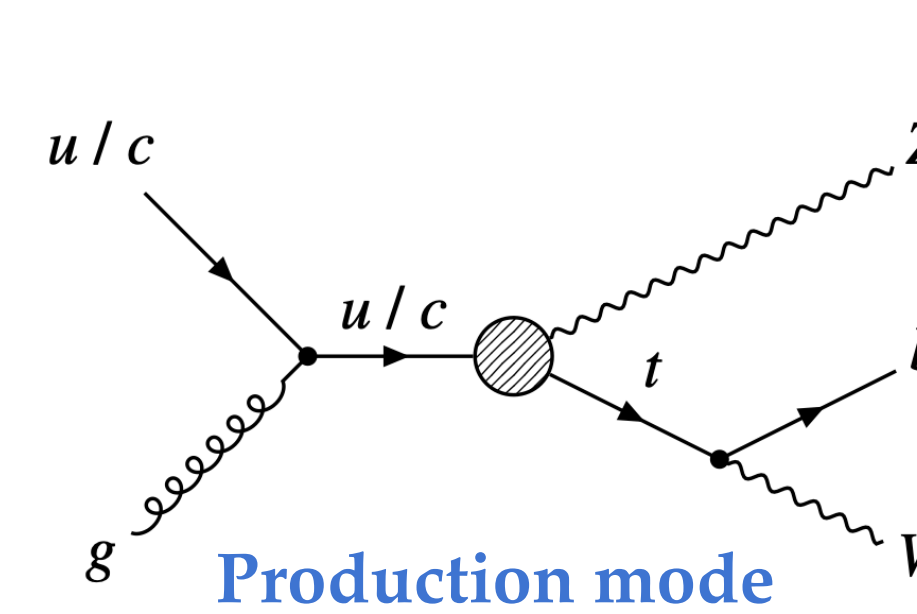
►  $Z \rightarrow ll$ , semi-leptonic top decay  $\Rightarrow$  tri-leptons

► Analysis regions

► Orthogonality cut applied on reconstructed top mass

►  $\geq 2$  jets, 1 b-jet (SR1) targeting decay mode or  $\geq 1$  jet, 1 b-jet (SR2) targeting production mode

► Gradient BDT was used to better separate signal from backgrounds



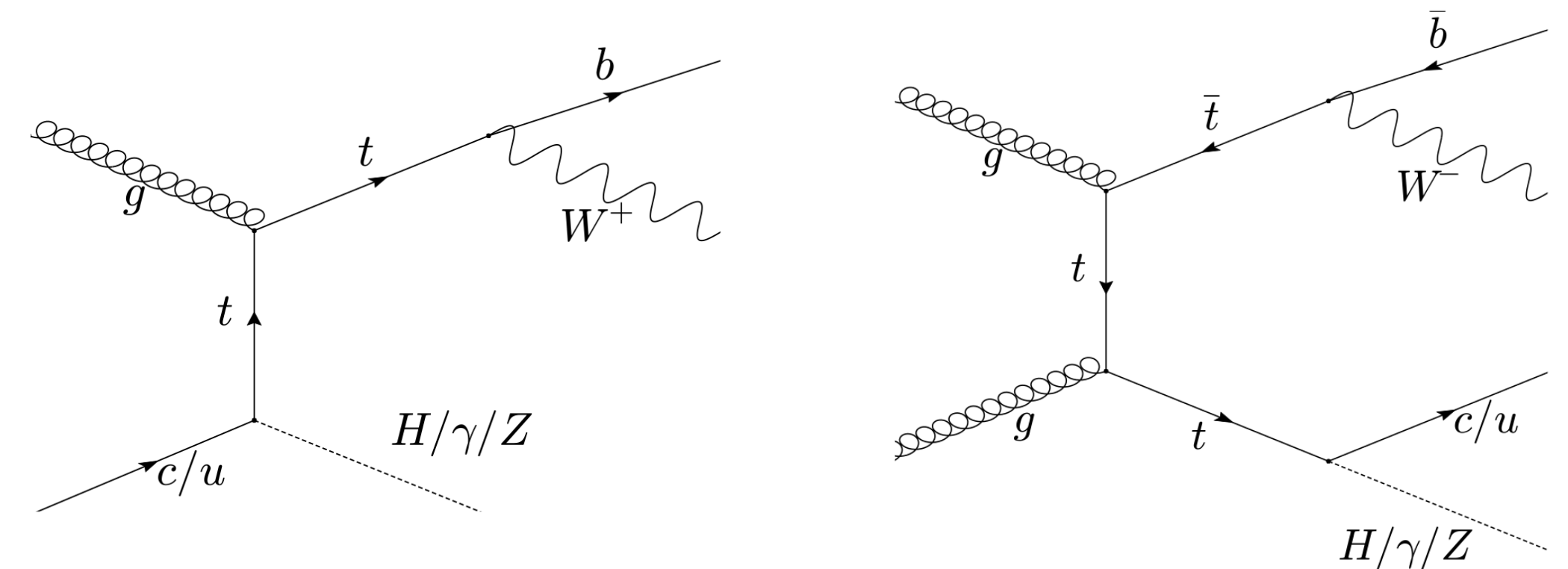
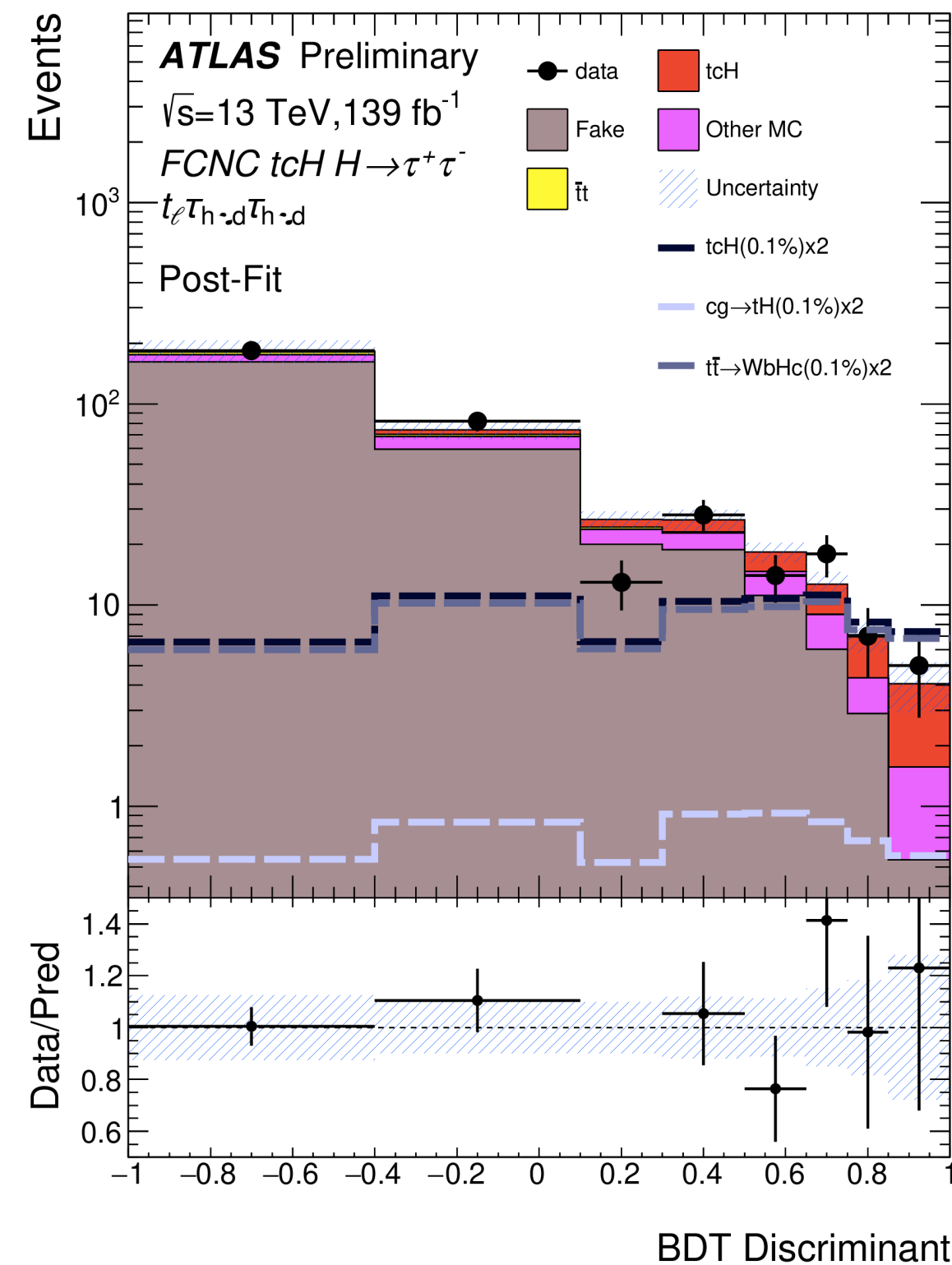
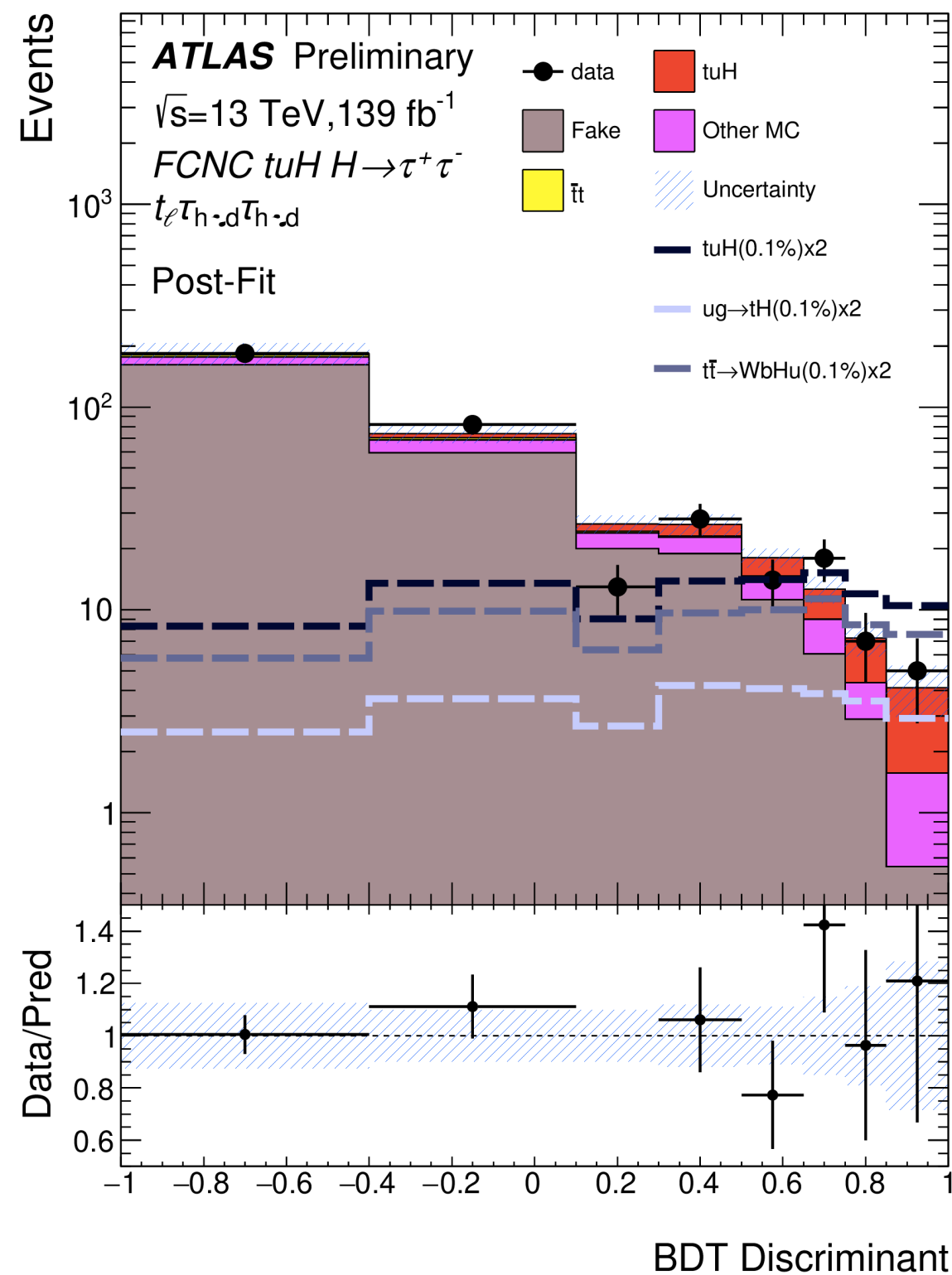
Observable	Vertex	Coupling	Observed	Expected
SR1+CRs				
$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Zq) [10^{-5}]$	$tZu$	LH	9.7	$8.6^{+3.6}_{-2.4}$
$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Zq) [10^{-5}]$	$tZu$	RH	9.5	$8.2^{+3.4}_{-2.3}$
SR2+CRs				
$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Zq) [10^{-5}]$	$tZu$	LH	7.8	$6.1^{+2.7}_{-1.7}$
$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Zq) [10^{-5}]$	$tZu$	RH	9.0	$6.6^{+2.9}_{-1.8}$
SRs+CRs				
$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Zq) [10^{-5}]$	$tZu$	LH	6.2	$4.9^{+2.1}_{-1.4}$
$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Zq) [10^{-5}]$	$tZu$	RH	6.6	$5.1^{+2.1}_{-1.4}$
$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Zq) [10^{-5}]$	$tZc$	LH	13	$11^{+5}_{-3}$
$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Zq) [10^{-5}]$	$tZc$	RH	12	$10^{+4}_{-3}$

► Upper limits on branching ratios were improved with respect to the previous results by factor 2 - 5

► Dominant systematic: **statistical uncertainty**



- Explored both production and decay of FCNC  $tqH$  vertices
  - Top quark: leptonic or hadronic decay
  - $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ :  $\tau_{had} \tau_{had}$  or  $\tau_{lep} \tau_{had}$  (depending on  $\tau$ -lepton decay)



- Analysis regions
  - Employ seven signal regions in a combination of top and di-tau decay, and additional jets
  - BDT is trained in each of the SR to separate signal from SM background
- Background estimation
  - Fake  $\tau$ : estimate a transfer factor in CR
  - Others: Monte-Carlo simulation

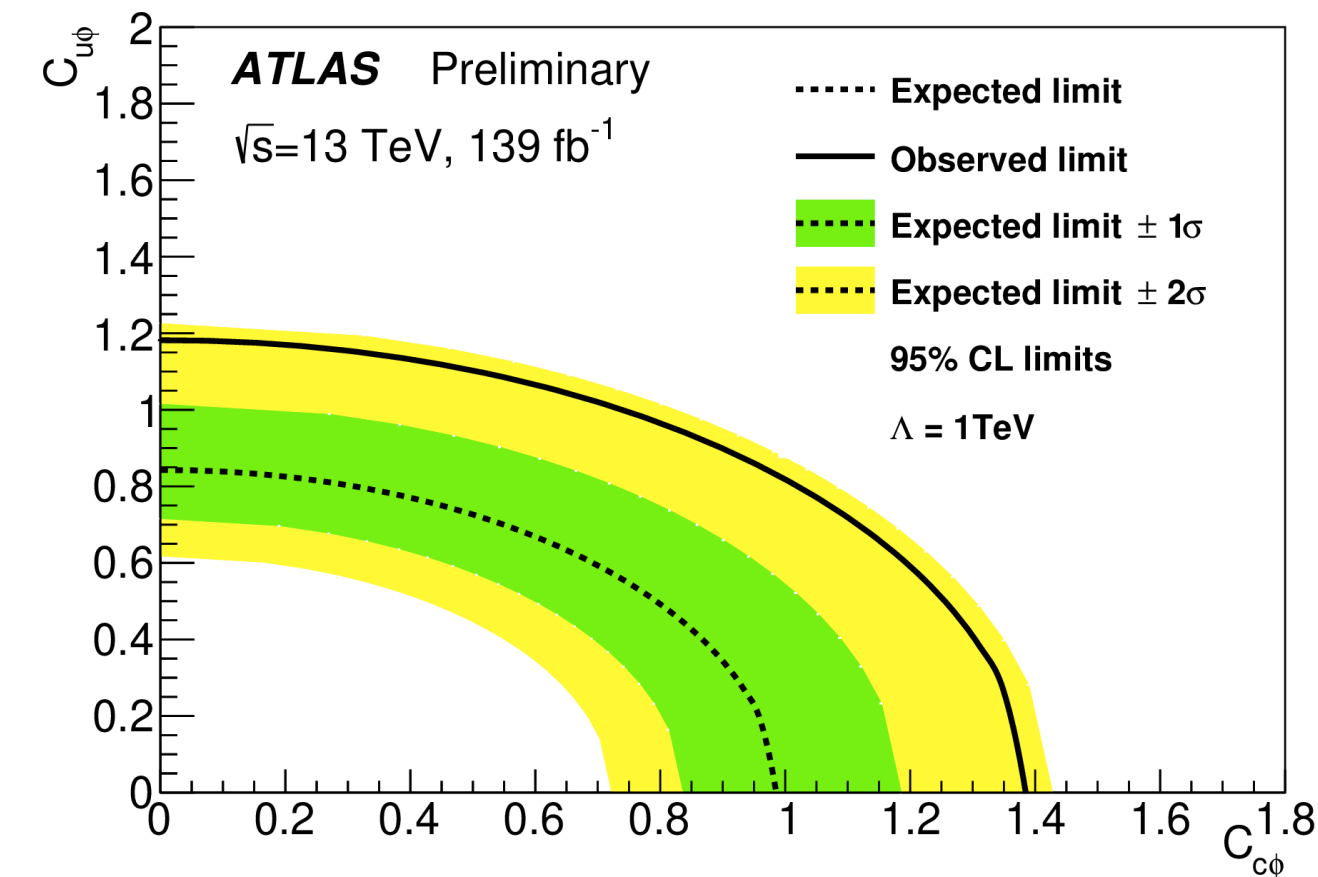
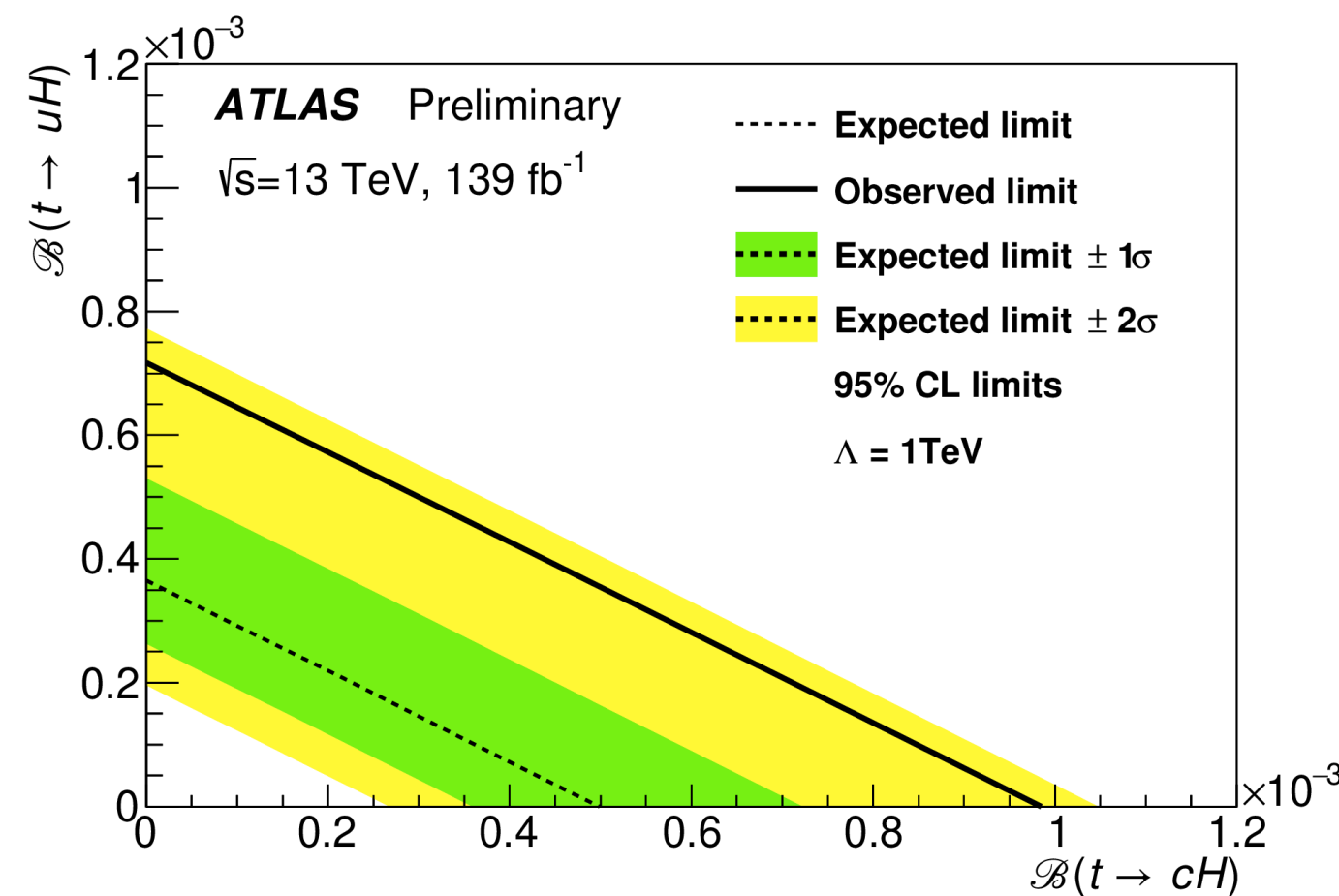
$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow cH) < 9.9 \times 10^{-4} (5.0^{+2.2}_{-1.4} \times 10^{-4}),$  assuming  $\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow uH) = 0$

▶ Upper limits of BR:

$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow uH) < 7.2 \times 10^{-4} (3.6^{+1.7}_{-1.0} \times 10^{-4}),$  assuming  $\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow cH) = 0$

▶ Limits translate to tqH Wilson coefficients:  $C_{c\phi} < 1.38 (0.97)$  and  $C_{u\phi} < 1.18 (0.83)$

▶ 2D contours:

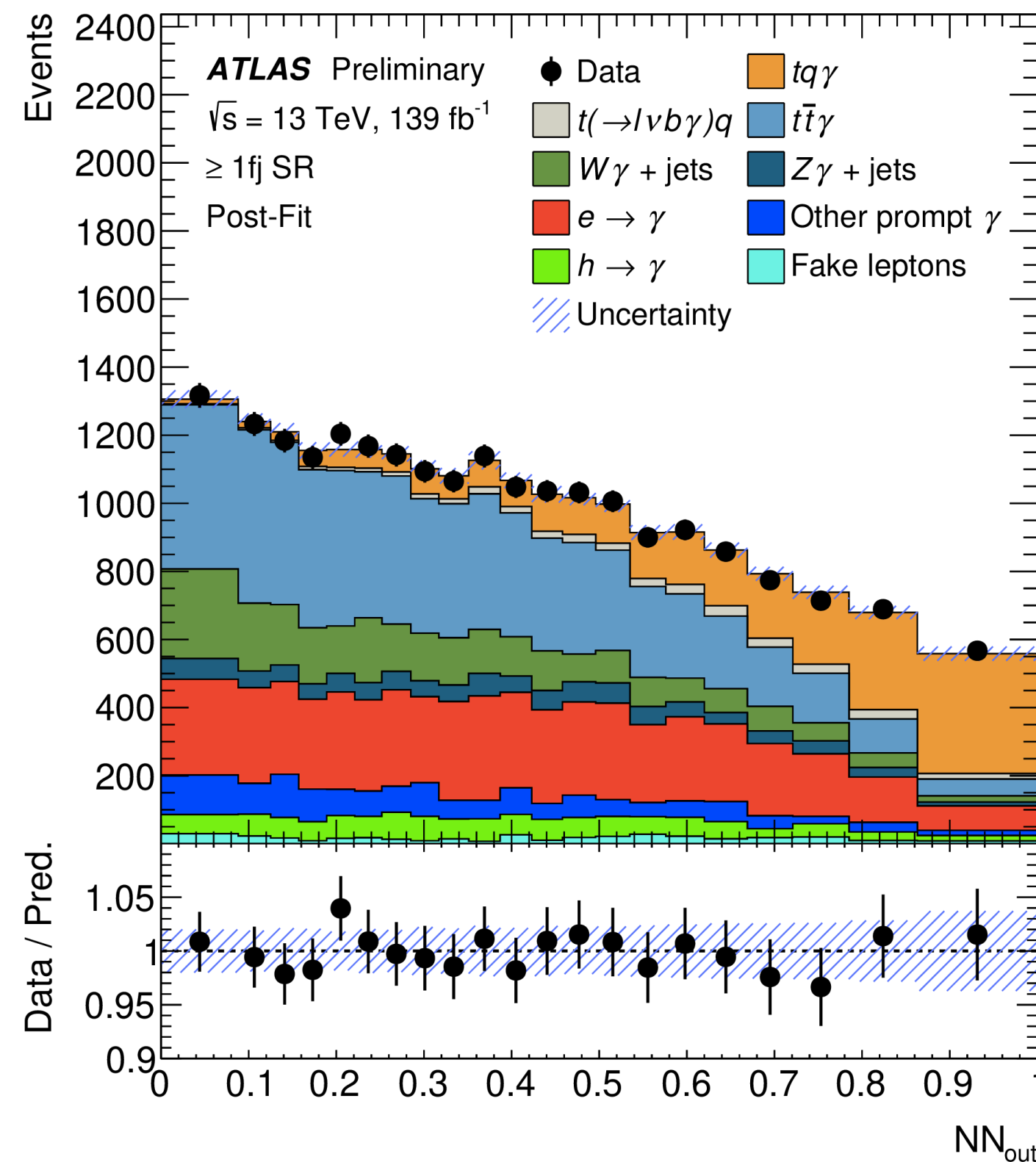
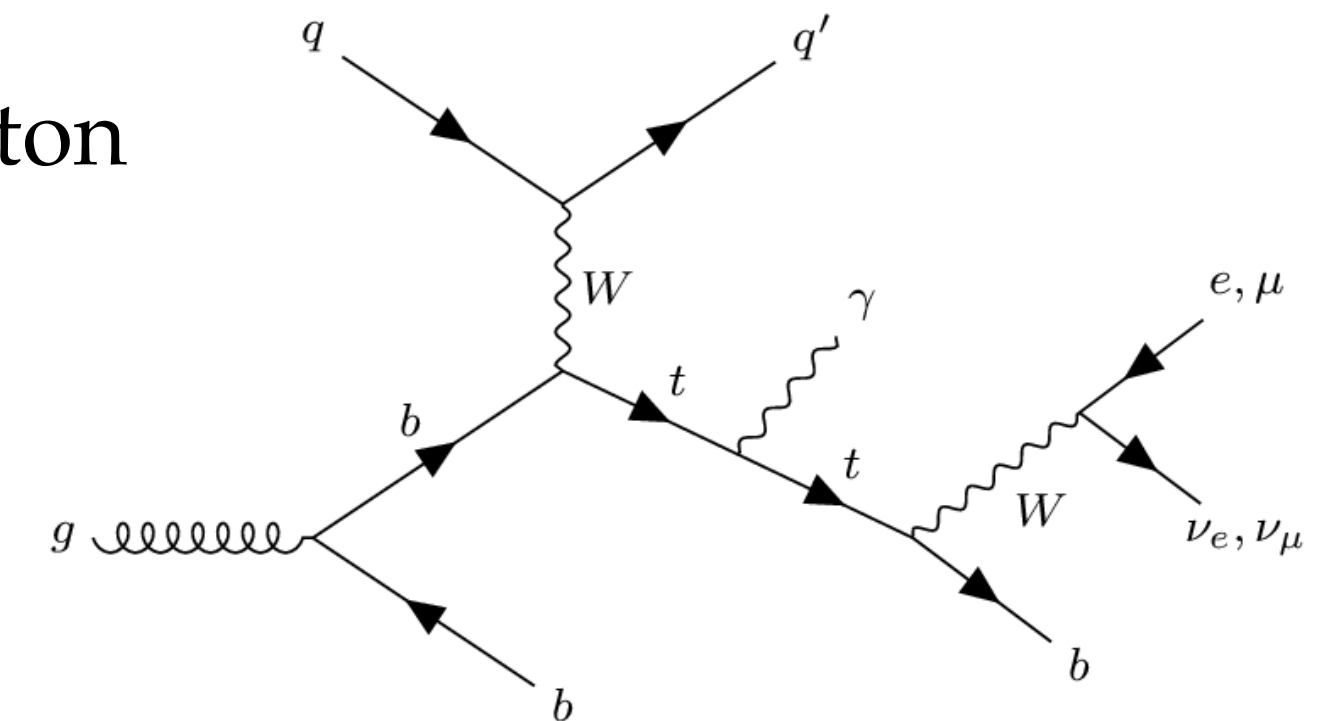


▶ Major systematic: statistical uncertainty

▶ A slight excess of data is observed above background with a significance of  $2.3 \sigma$

▶ A factor of 5 improvement wrt ATLAS 13 TeV  $36 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  results

- ▶ First observation of  $t$ -channel single top quark production in association with a photon
- ▶  $tq\gamma$  (prod) with observed (expected) significance: 9.1 (6.7)  $\sigma$
- ▶ Sensitive to EW couplings of the top quark (esp. top- $\gamma$  vertex)



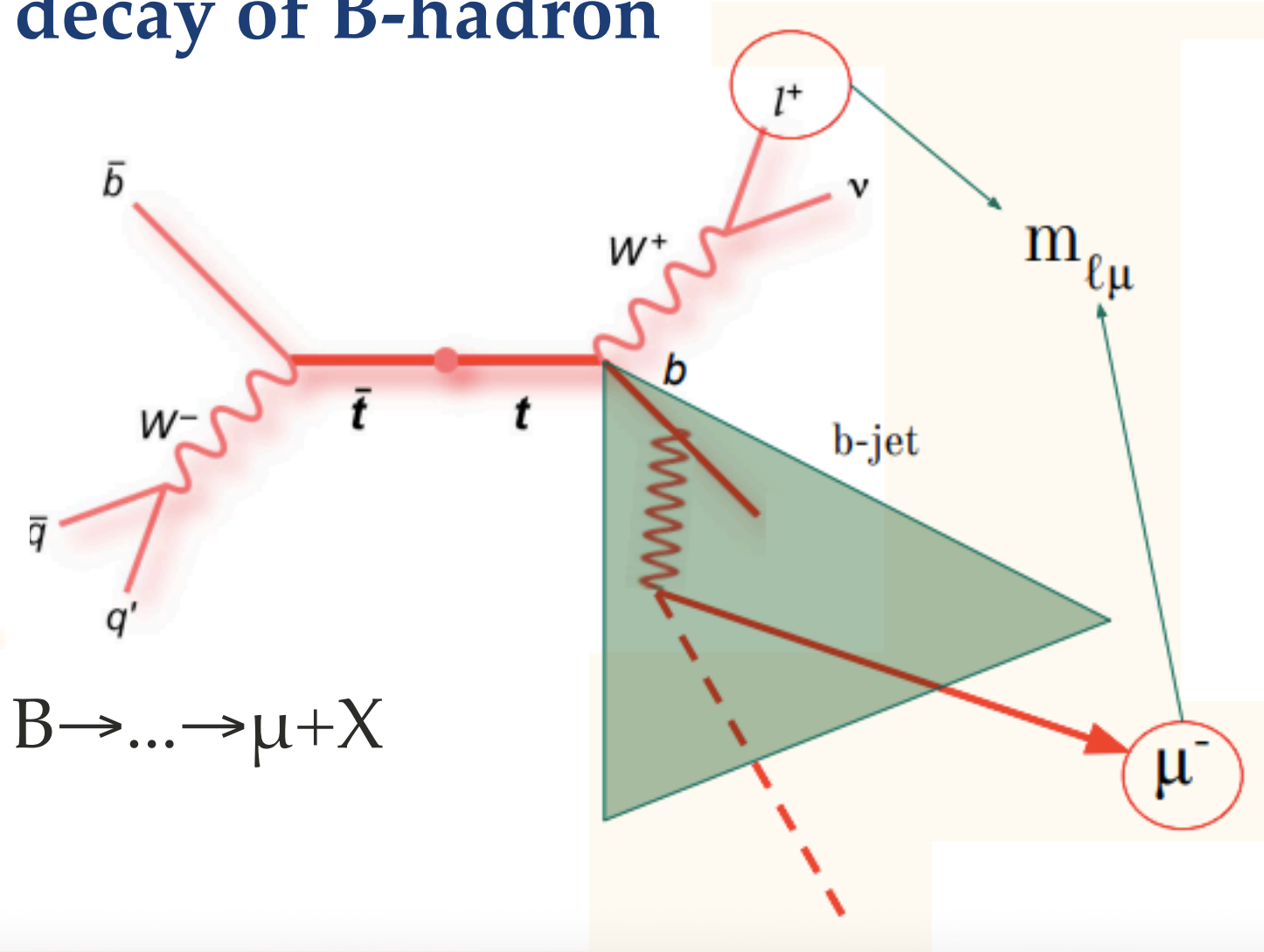
## Cross section measurement

- ▶ Parton level:  $\sigma_{tq\gamma} \times B(t \rightarrow l\nu b) = 580 \pm 19$  (stat.)  $\pm 63$  (syst.) fb
- ▶ Particle level:  $\sigma_{tq\gamma} \times B(t \rightarrow l\nu b) + \sigma_{t(\rightarrow l\nu b)\gamma} q = 287 \pm 8$  (stat.)  $\pm 31$  (syst.) fb

- ▶ ATLAS measurements consistently higher than the prediction by  $\sim 40\%$
- ▶ Major systematic uncertainties come from
  - ▶ background modelling:  $t\bar{t}\gamma \sim 6\%$ ;  $t\bar{t} \sim 3\%$
  - ▶ MC statistics:  $tq\gamma \sim 3\%$ ; all other processes  $\sim 3\%$

# Top mass measurement

## Semi-leptonic decay of B-hadron



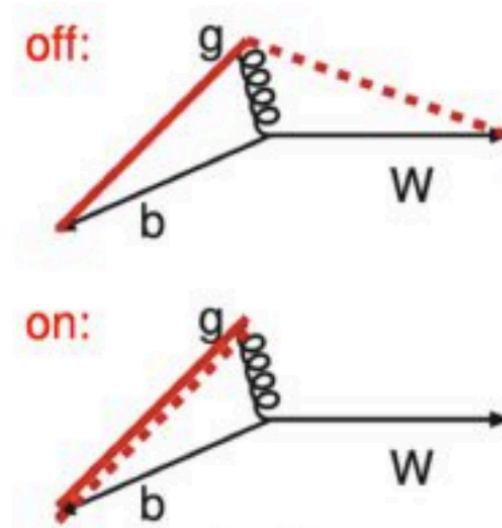
BR=20% for  $B \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \mu + X$

Top mass using soft muon tag  
Invariant mass  $m_{l\mu}$  sensitive to  $m_t$   
reduced sensitivity to JES  
sensitive to fragmentation modelling

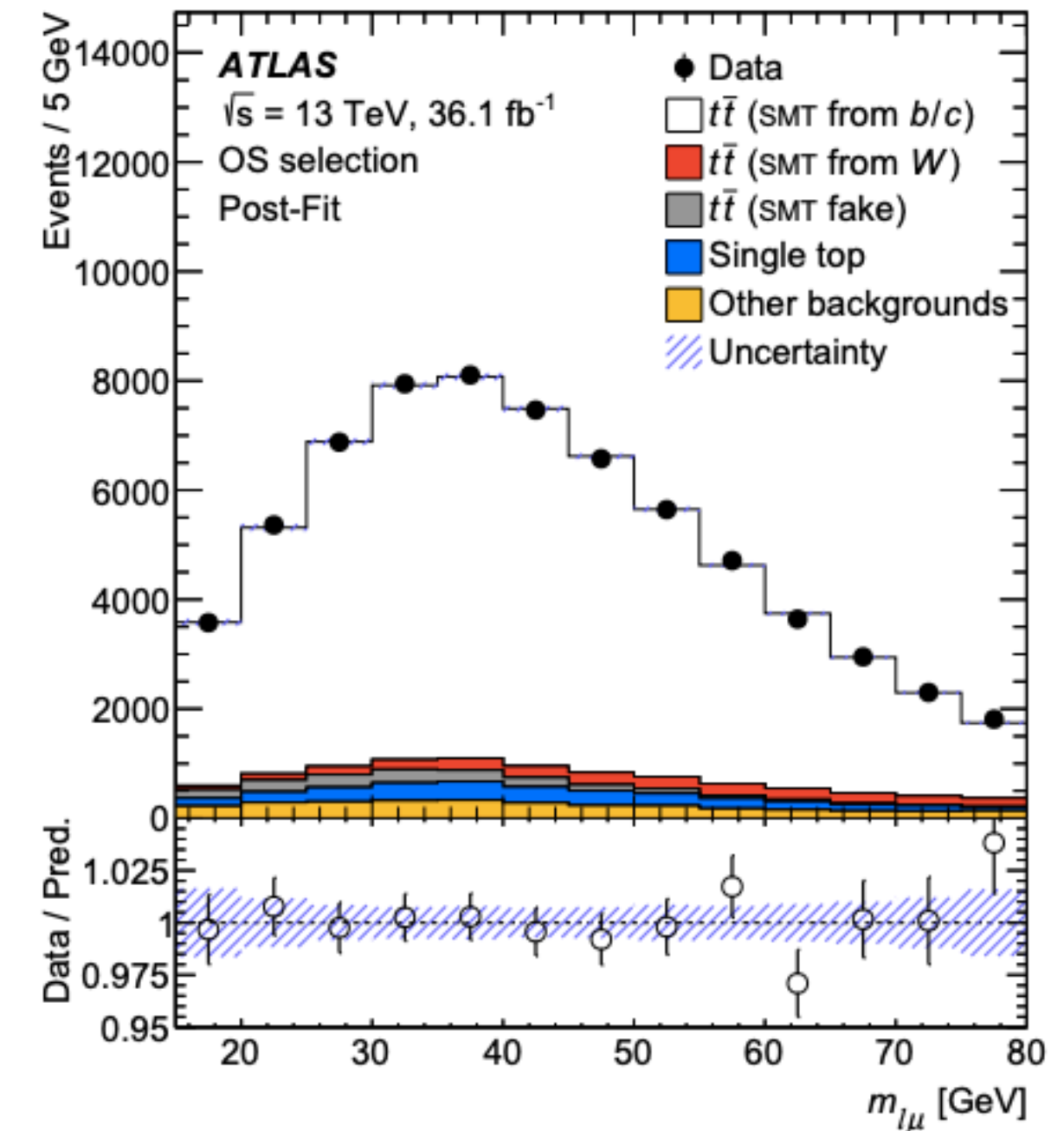
Uncertainty on gluon emission in  $t \rightarrow Wb$

- impacts PS modelling of gluons from  $b \rightarrow gb$
- changes energy distribution within jet
- changes jet pT due to out-ofcone radiation  
→ impacts jet- based measurement

recoilToColoured  
Pythia option

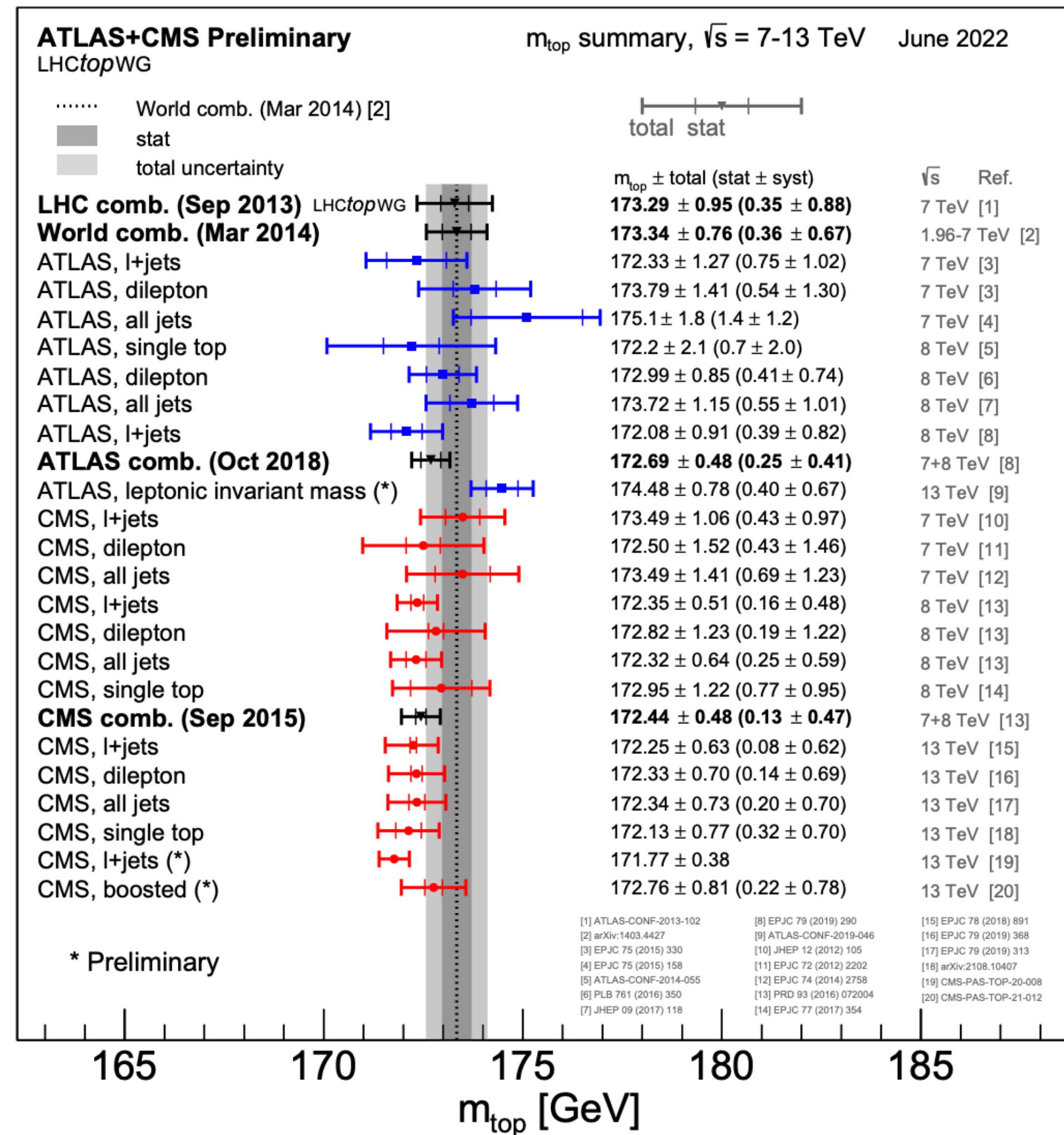


- Final result from ML profiled fit on  $m_{l\mu}$
- consistent at  $2\sigma$  level with previous results



$$m_t = 174.41 \pm 0.39 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.66 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.25 \text{ (recoil) GeV}$$

# Top mass measurement



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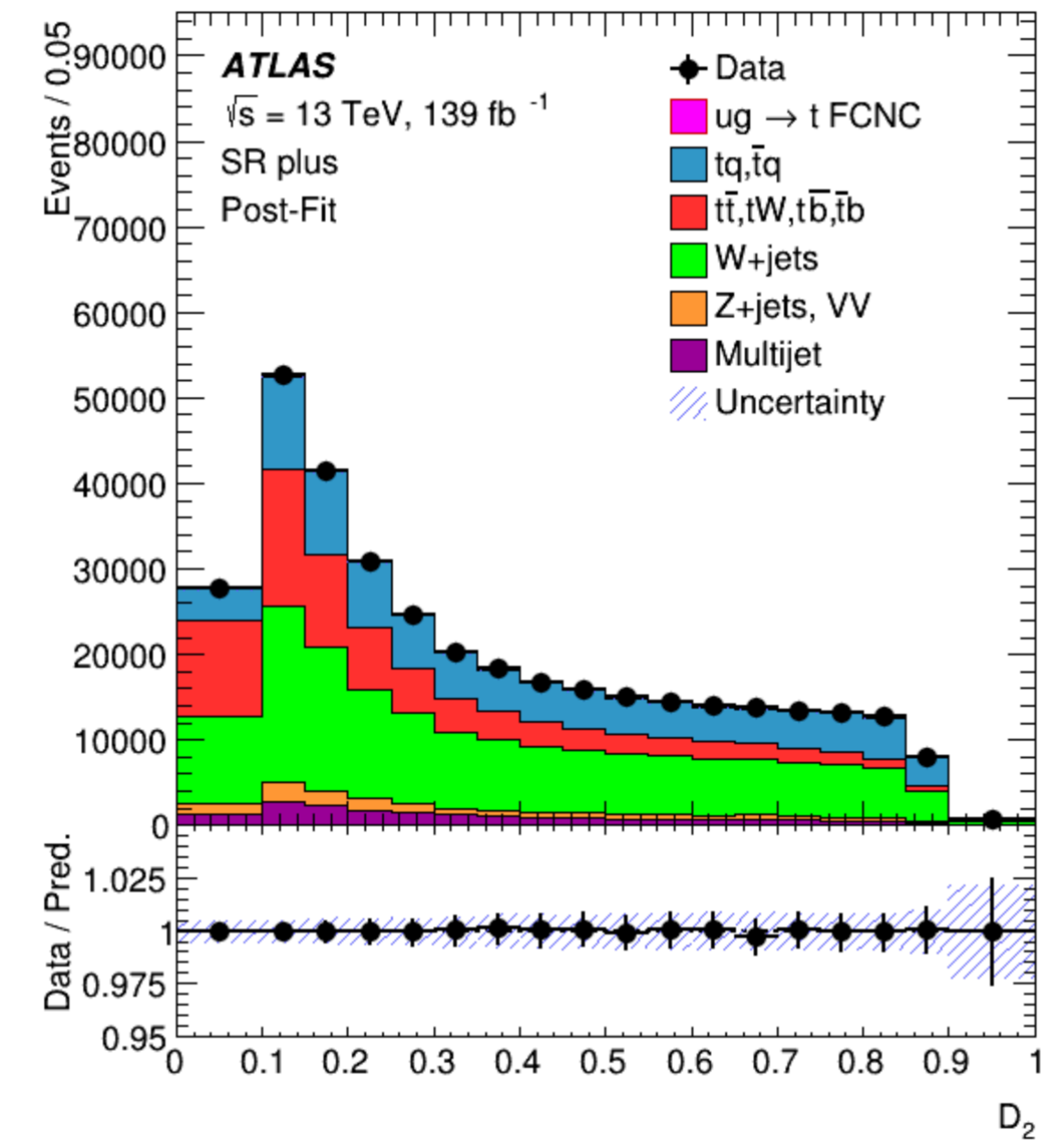
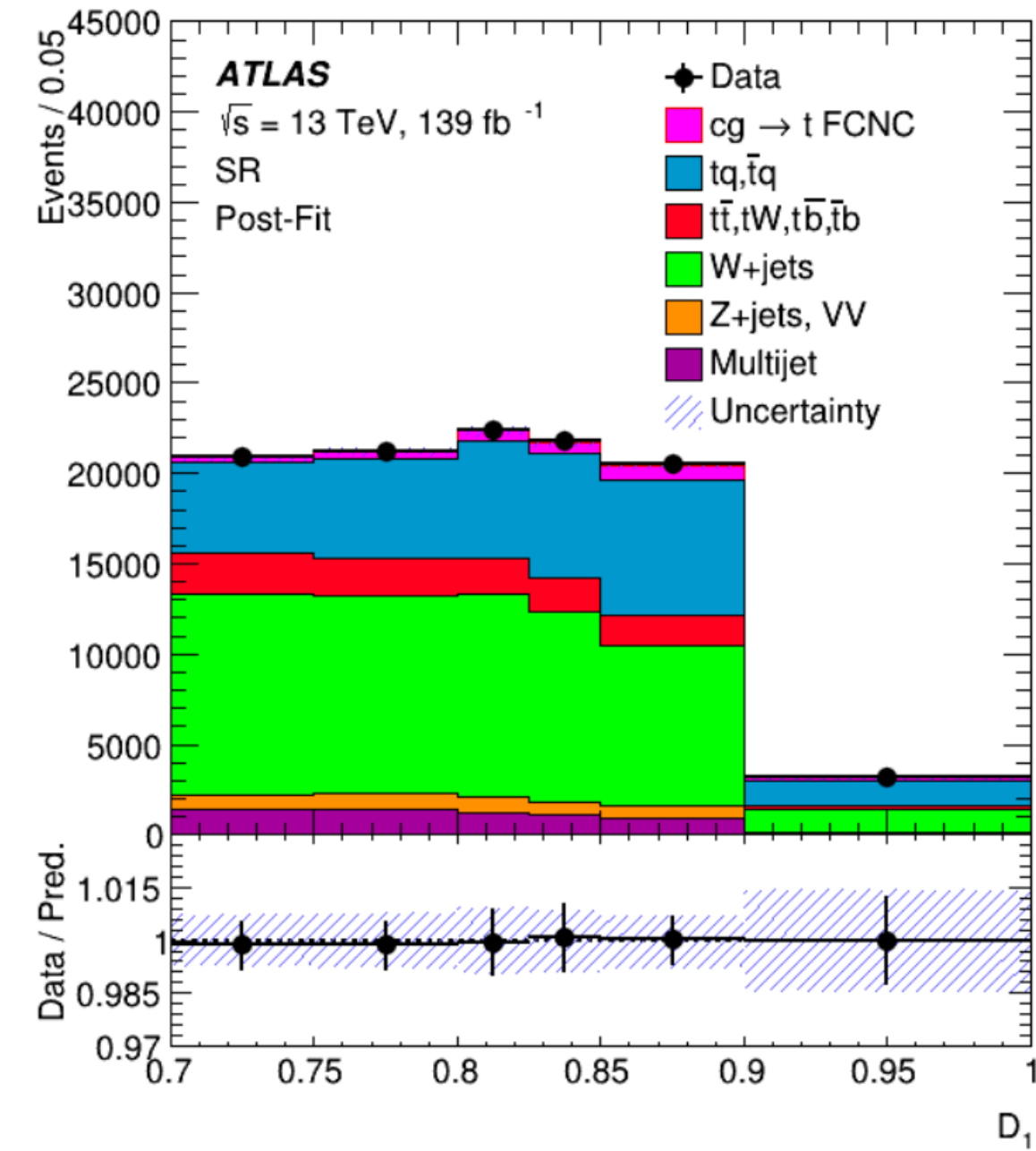
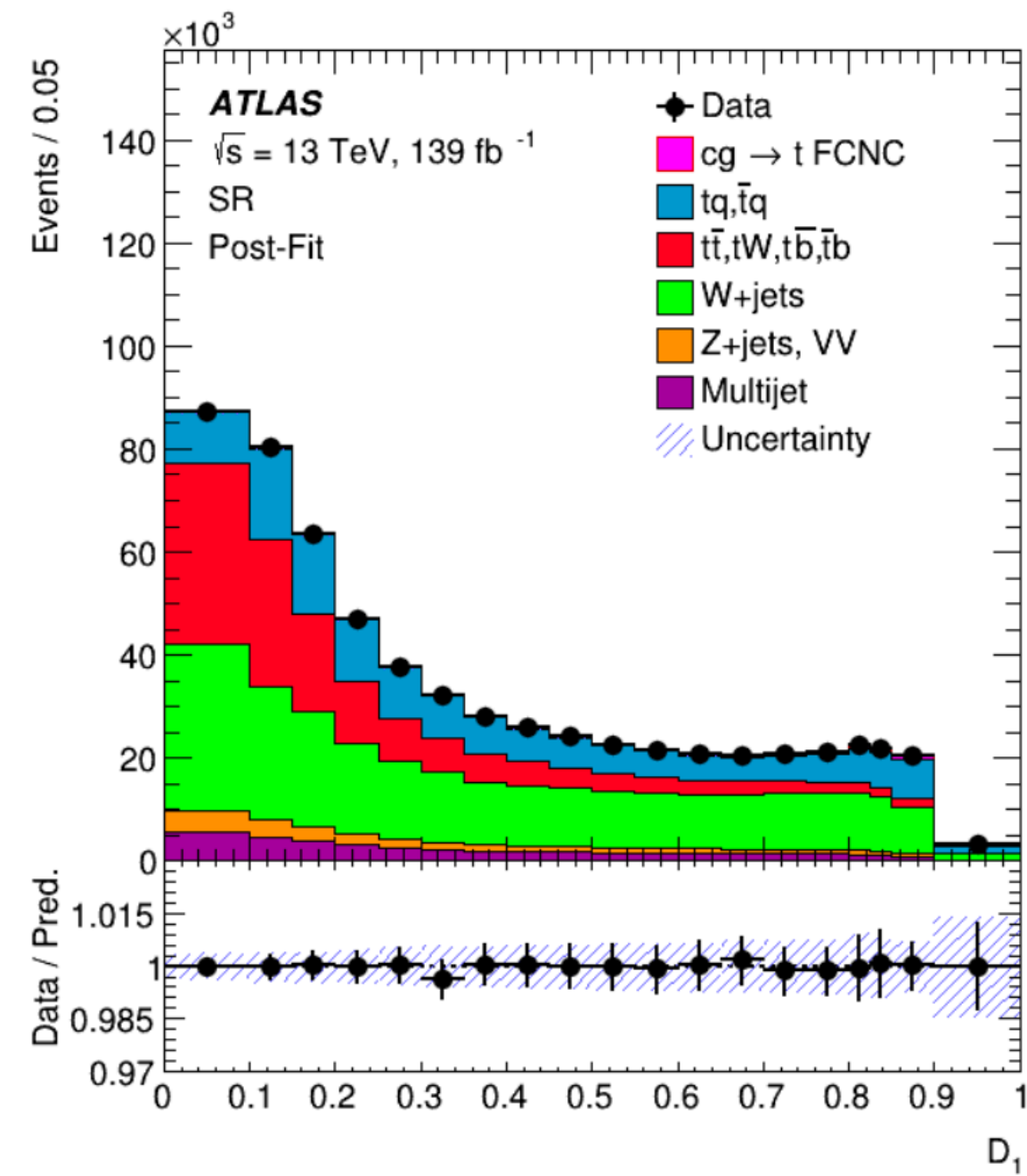
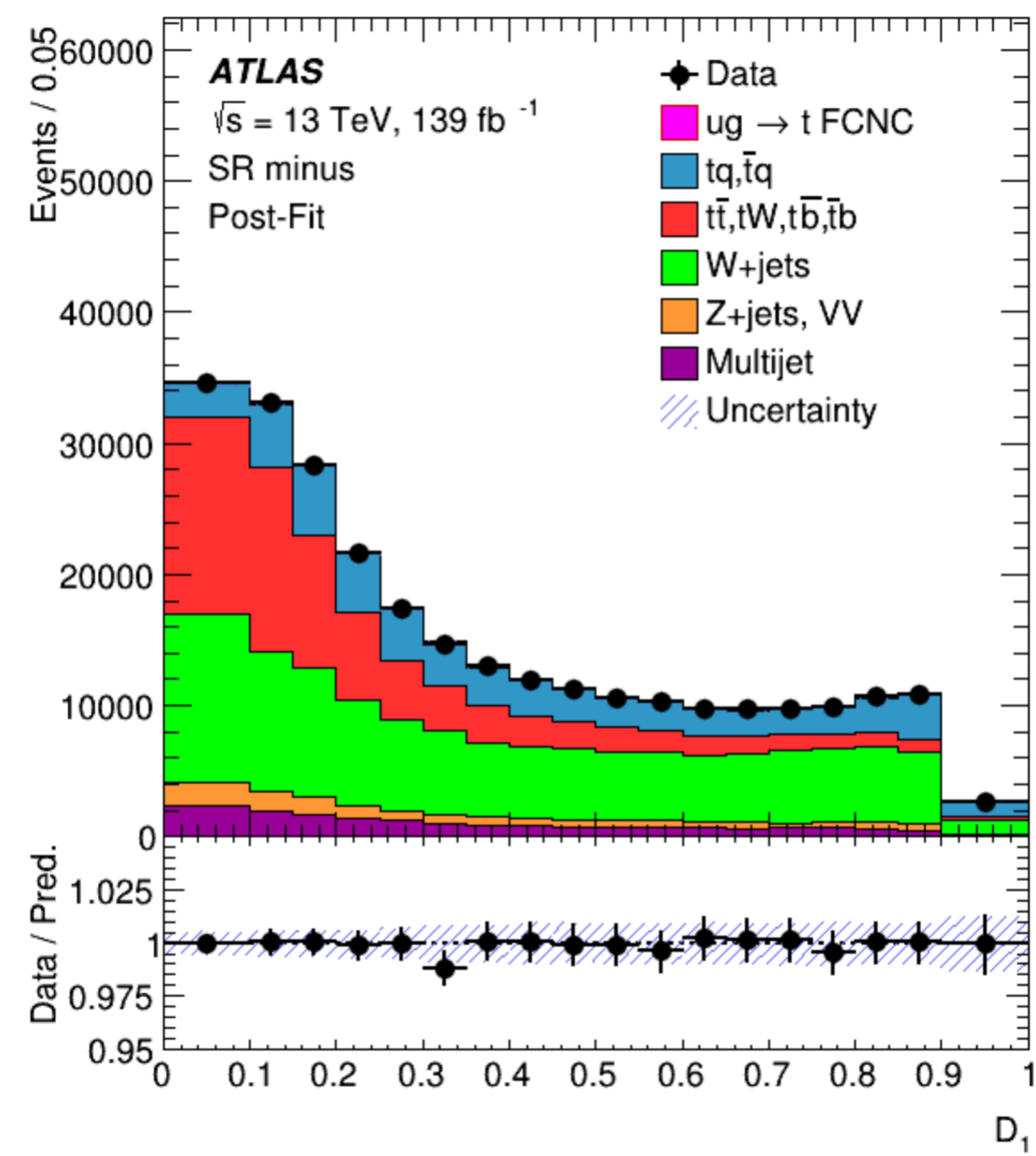
# Branching ratios of top FCNC decays

Process	SM	2HDM(FV)	2HDM(FC)	MSSM	RPV	RS
$t \rightarrow Zu$	$7 \times 10^{-17}$	–	–	$\leq 10^{-7}$	$\leq 10^{-6}$	–
$t \rightarrow Zc$	$1 \times 10^{-14}$	$\leq 10^{-6}$	$\leq 10^{-10}$	$\leq 10^{-7}$	$\leq 10^{-6}$	$\leq 10^{-5}$
$t \rightarrow gu$	$4 \times 10^{-14}$	–	–	$\leq 10^{-7}$	$\leq 10^{-6}$	–
$t \rightarrow gc$	$5 \times 10^{-12}$	$\leq 10^{-4}$	$\leq 10^{-8}$	$\leq 10^{-7}$	$\leq 10^{-6}$	$\leq 10^{-10}$
$t \rightarrow \gamma u$	$4 \times 10^{-16}$	–	–	$\leq 10^{-8}$	$\leq 10^{-9}$	–
$t \rightarrow \gamma c$	$5 \times 10^{-14}$	$\leq 10^{-7}$	$\leq 10^{-9}$	$\leq 10^{-8}$	$\leq 10^{-9}$	$\leq 10^{-9}$
$t \rightarrow hu$	$2 \times 10^{-17}$	$6 \times 10^{-6}$	–	$\leq 10^{-5}$	$\leq 10^{-9}$	–
$t \rightarrow hc$	$3 \times 10^{-15}$	$2 \times 10^{-3}$	$\leq 10^{-5}$	$\leq 10^{-5}$	$\leq 10^{-9}$	$\leq 10^{-4}$

# FCNC tqg - selection requirements

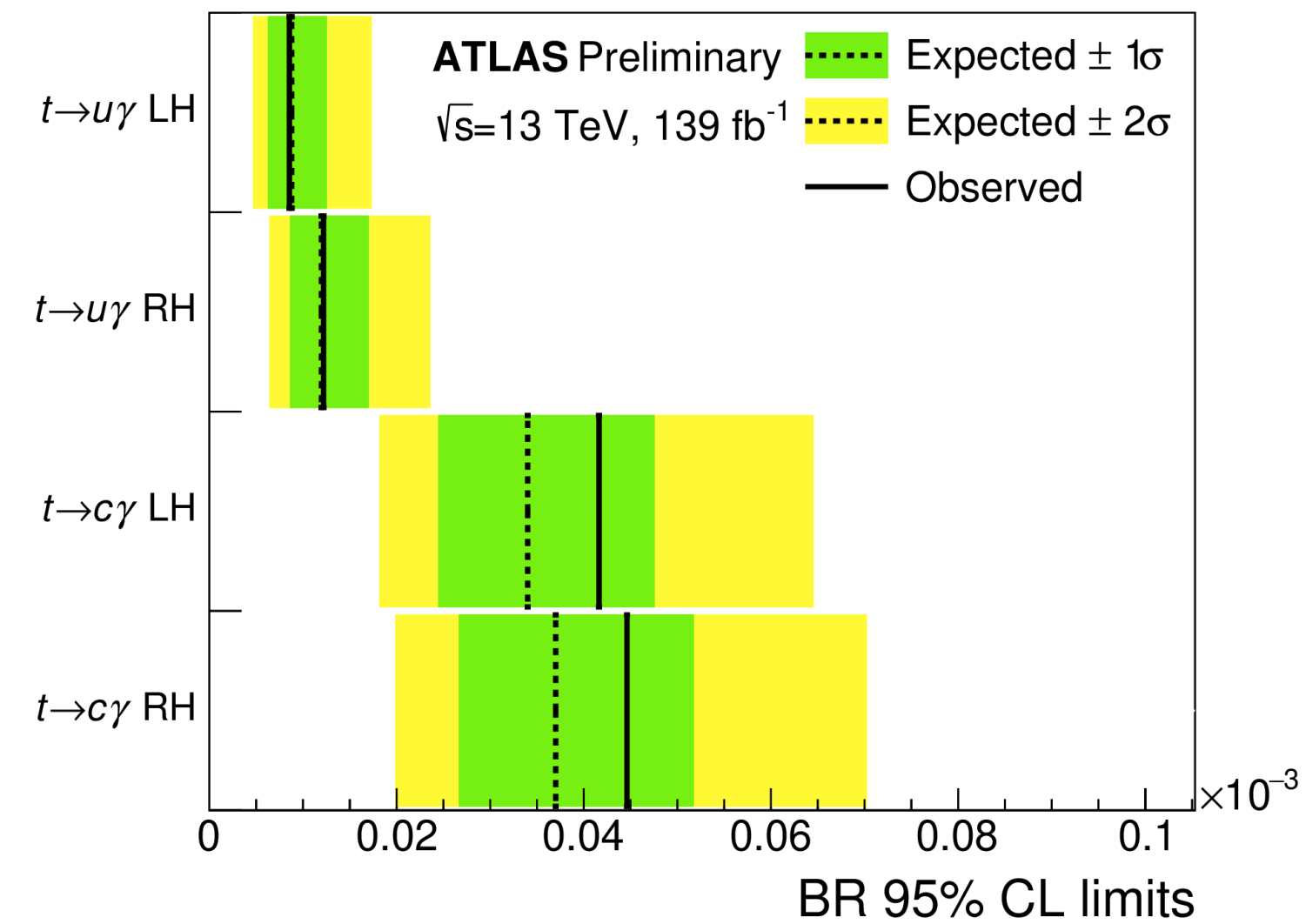
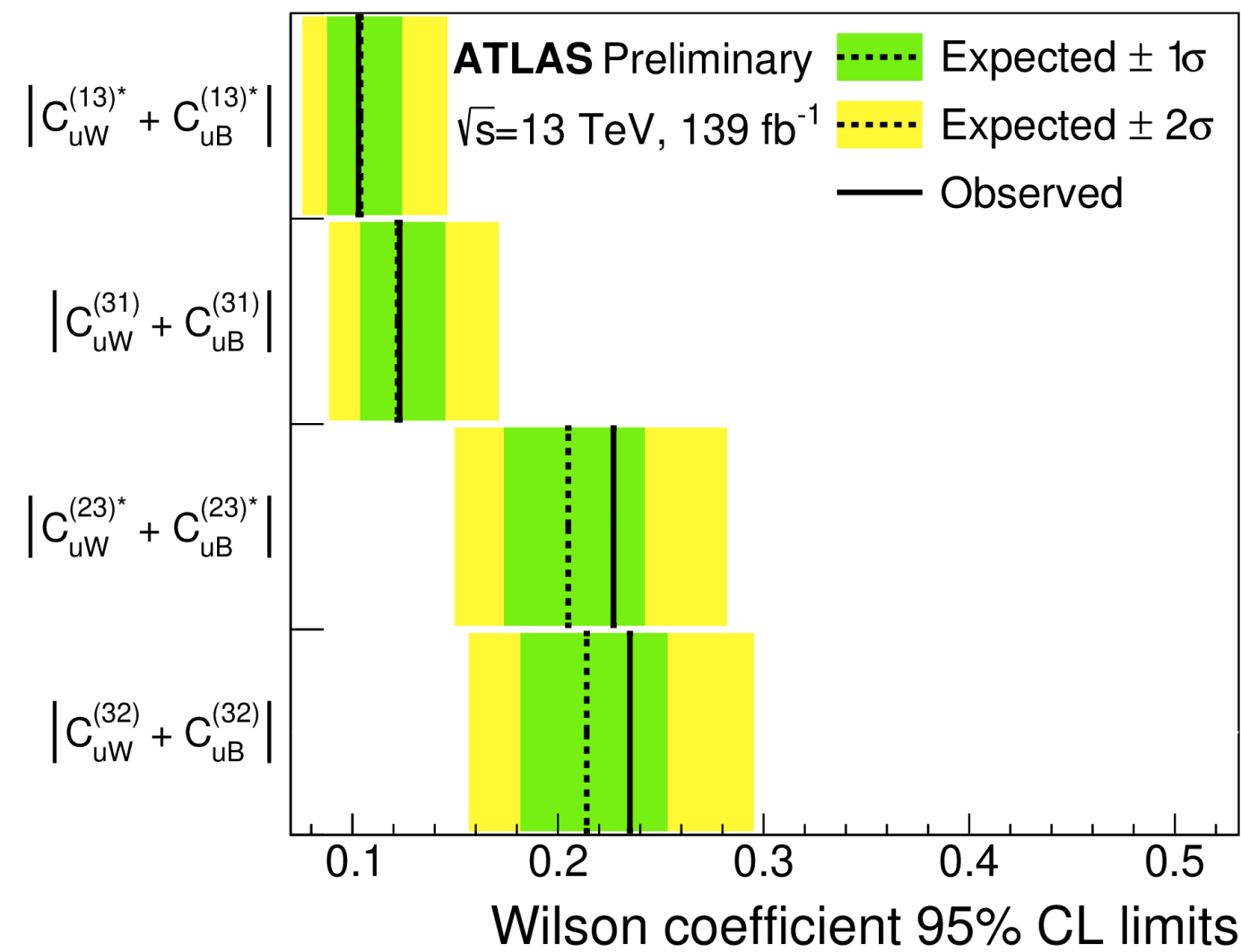
Observable	Common requirements			
$n_{\text{Tight}}(e) + n_{\text{Medium}}(\mu)$	= 1			
$n_{\text{Loose}}(e) + n_{\text{Loose}}(\mu)$	= 1			
$E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}$	> 30 GeV			
$m_{\text{T}}(W)$	> 50 GeV			
$n(j)$	$\geq 1$			
$p_{\text{T}}(\ell)$	$> 50 \text{ GeV} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{\pi -  \Delta\phi(j_1, \ell) }{\pi - 1}\right)$			
	Analysis regions			
	SR	W+jets VR	$t\bar{t}$ VR	tq VR
$n( \eta(j)  < 2.5)$	= 1	= 1	= 2	= 1
$n(b)$	= 1	= 1	= 2	= 1
$\epsilon_b$	30%	60% (veto 30%)	30%	30%
$n( \eta(j)  > 2.5)$	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	$\geq 0$	= 1
$D_{1(2)}$	–	$0.3 < D_{1(2)} < 0.6$	–	$0.2 < D_{1(2)} < 0.4$

# FCNC tqg - postfit discriminants





# FCNC $tq\gamma$ - Wilson coefficient and BR limits



Effective coupling	Coefficient limits		Coupling	BRs $[10^{-5}]$	
	Expected	Observed		Expected	Observed
$ C_{uW}^{(13)*} + C_{uB}^{(13)*} $	$0.104^{+0.020}_{-0.016}$	0.103	$t \rightarrow u\gamma$ LH	$0.88^{+0.37}_{-0.25}$	0.85
$ C_{uW}^{(31)} + C_{uB}^{(31)} $	$0.122^{+0.023}_{-0.018}$	0.123	$t \rightarrow u\gamma$ RH	$1.20^{+0.50}_{-0.33}$	1.22
$ C_{uW}^{(23)*} + C_{uB}^{(23)*} $	$0.205^{+0.037}_{-0.031}$	0.227	$t \rightarrow c\gamma$ LH	$3.40^{+1.35}_{-0.95}$	4.16
$ C_{uW}^{(32)} + C_{uB}^{(32)} $	$0.214^{+0.039}_{-0.032}$	0.235	$t \rightarrow c\gamma$ RH	$3.70^{+1.47}_{-1.03}$	4.46

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$ C_{uW}^{(13)*} $ and $ C_{uB}^{(13)*} $	$tZu$	LH	0.15	$0.13^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$
$ C_{uW}^{(31)} $ and $ C_{uB}^{(31)} $	$tZu$	RH	0.16	$0.14^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$
$ C_{uW}^{(23)*} $ and $ C_{uB}^{(23)*} $	$tZc$	LH	0.22	$0.20^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$
$ C_{uW}^{(32)} $ and $ C_{uB}^{(32)} $	$tZc$	RH	0.21	$0.19^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$

LH: left hand  
RH: right hand

← Higher sensitivity from SR2

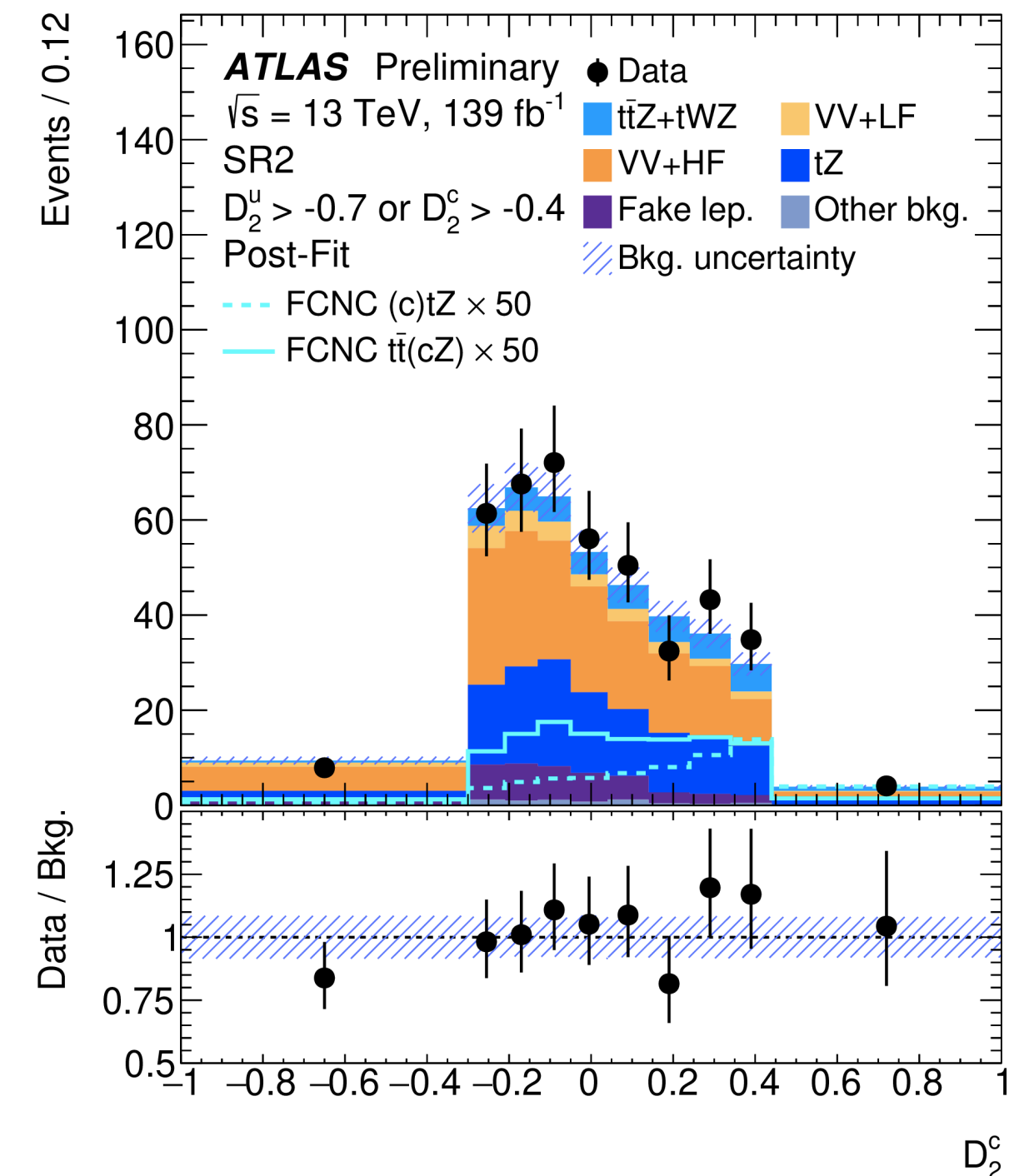
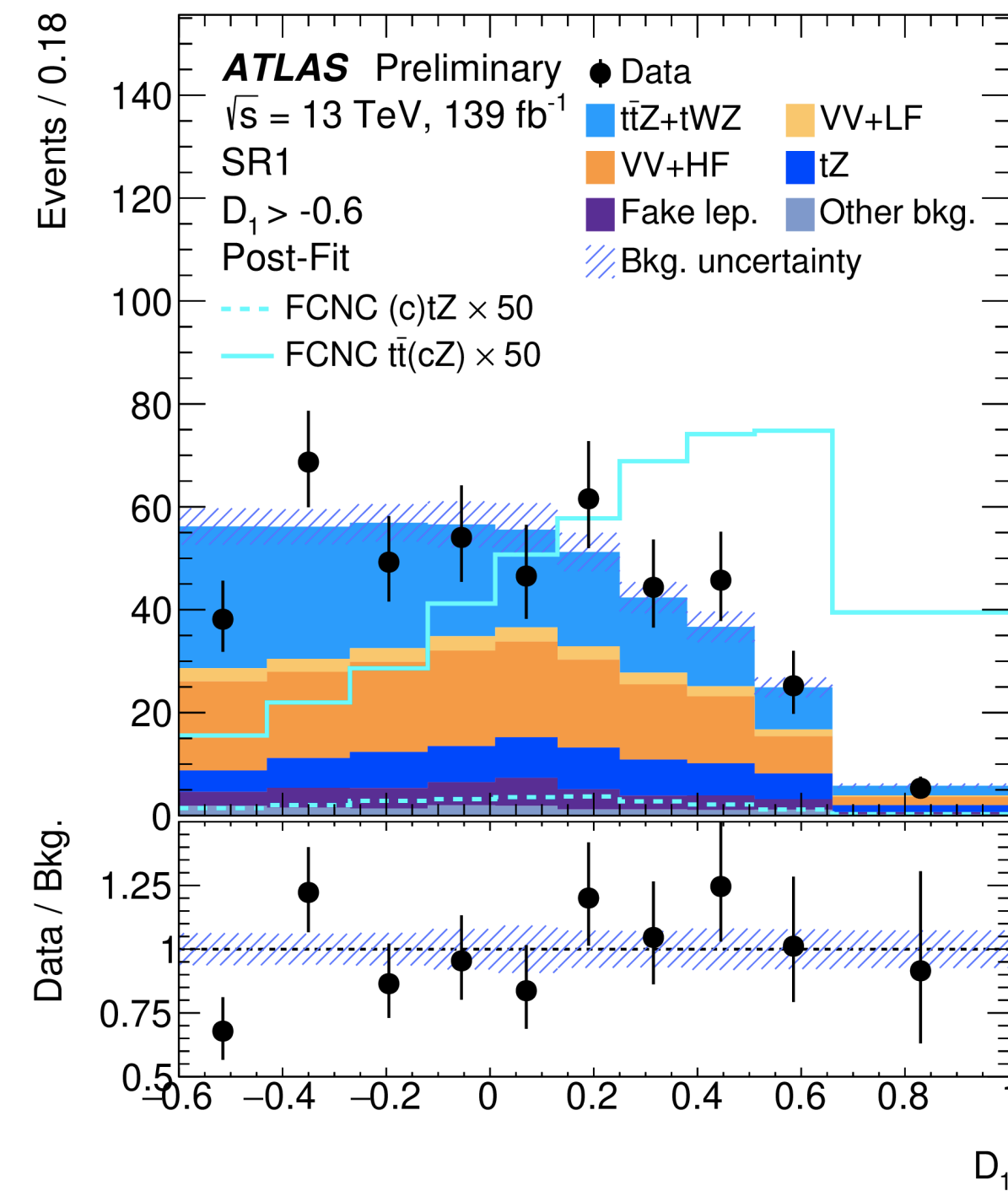
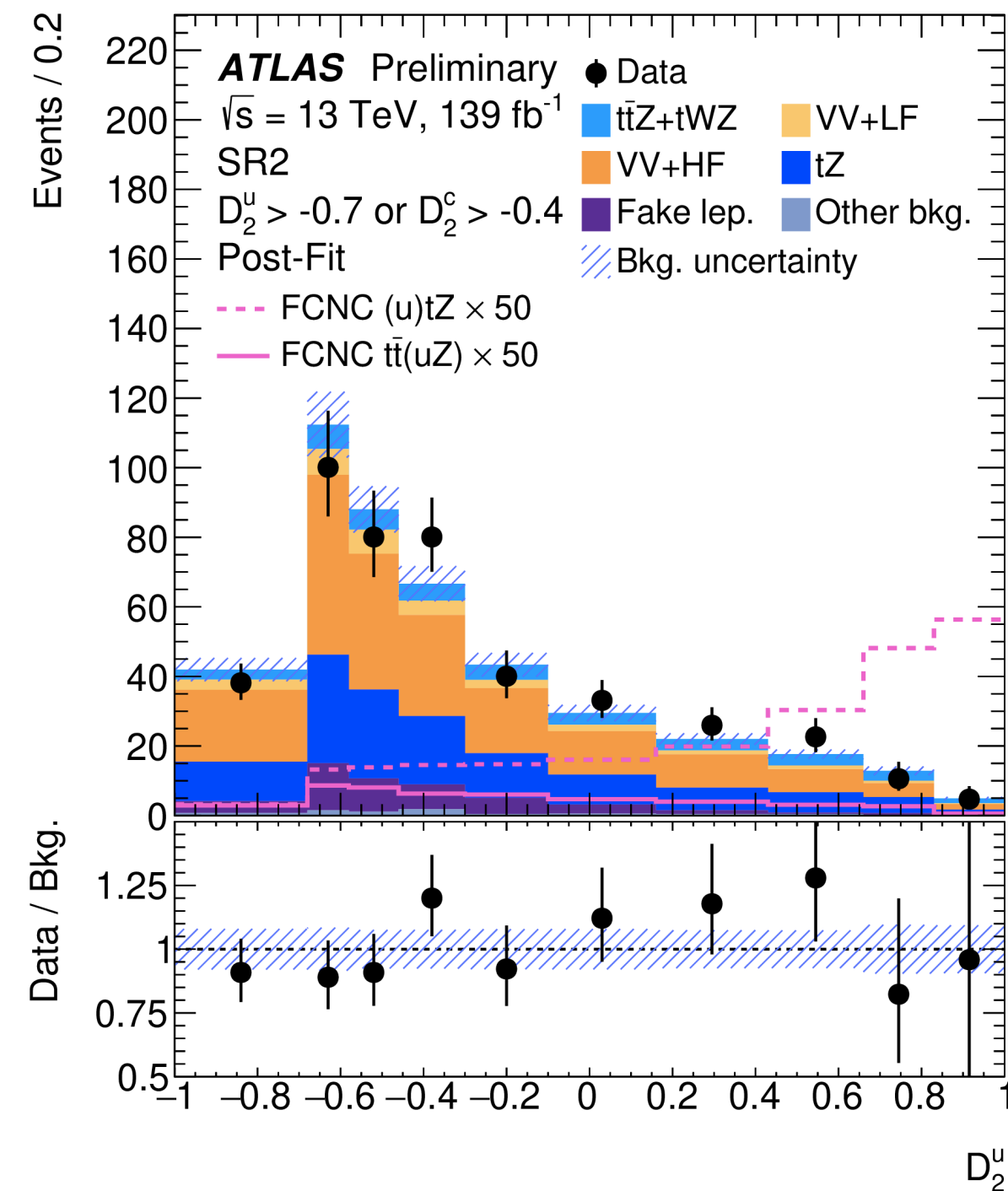
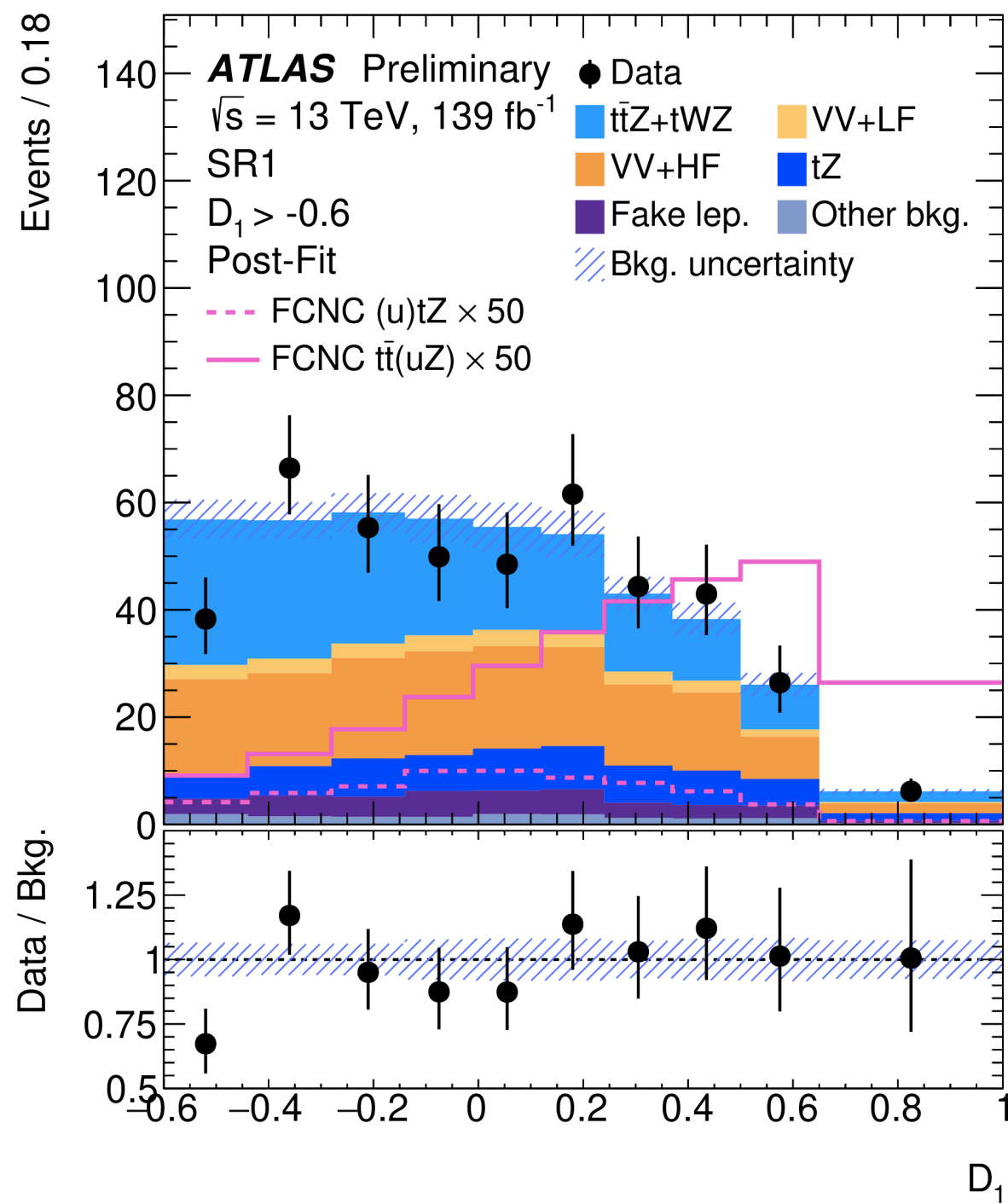
► Upper limits on branching ratios, were improved with respect to the previous results

- by factors of 5 (3): LH expected BR limits for  $t \rightarrow Zu$  ( $t \rightarrow Zc$ )
- by factors of 3 (2): LH observed BR limits for  $t \rightarrow Zu$  ( $t \rightarrow Zc$ )
- Inclusion of prod. mode, MVA technique, and higher lumi.

# FCNC $tqZ$ - predicted and observed yields in SR

	SR1 ( $D_1 > -0.6$ )	SR2 ( $D_2^u > -0.7$ or $D_2^c > -0.4$ )
$t\bar{t}Z + tWZ$	$137 \pm 12$	$36 \pm 6$
$VV + \text{LF}$	$18 \pm 7$	$24 \pm 8$
$VV + \text{HF}$	$114 \pm 19$	$162 \pm 26$
$tZ$	$46 \pm 7$	$108 \pm 18$
$t\bar{t} + tW$ fakes	$14 \pm 4$	$27 \pm 8$
Other fakes	$7 \pm 8$	$5 \pm 6$
$t\bar{t}W$	$4.2 \pm 2.1$	$3.1 \pm 1.6$
$t\bar{t}H$	$4.8 \pm 0.7$	$0.89 \pm 0.17$
Other bkg.	$2.0 \pm 1.0$	$2.5 \pm 2.9$
FCNC $(u)tZ$	$0.9 \pm 1.7$	$4 \pm 8$
FCNC $t\bar{t}(uZ)$	$5 \pm 9$	$0.8 \pm 1.5$
Total background	$348 \pm 15$	$369 \pm 21$
Data	345	380

# FCNC $tqZ$ - postfit discriminants



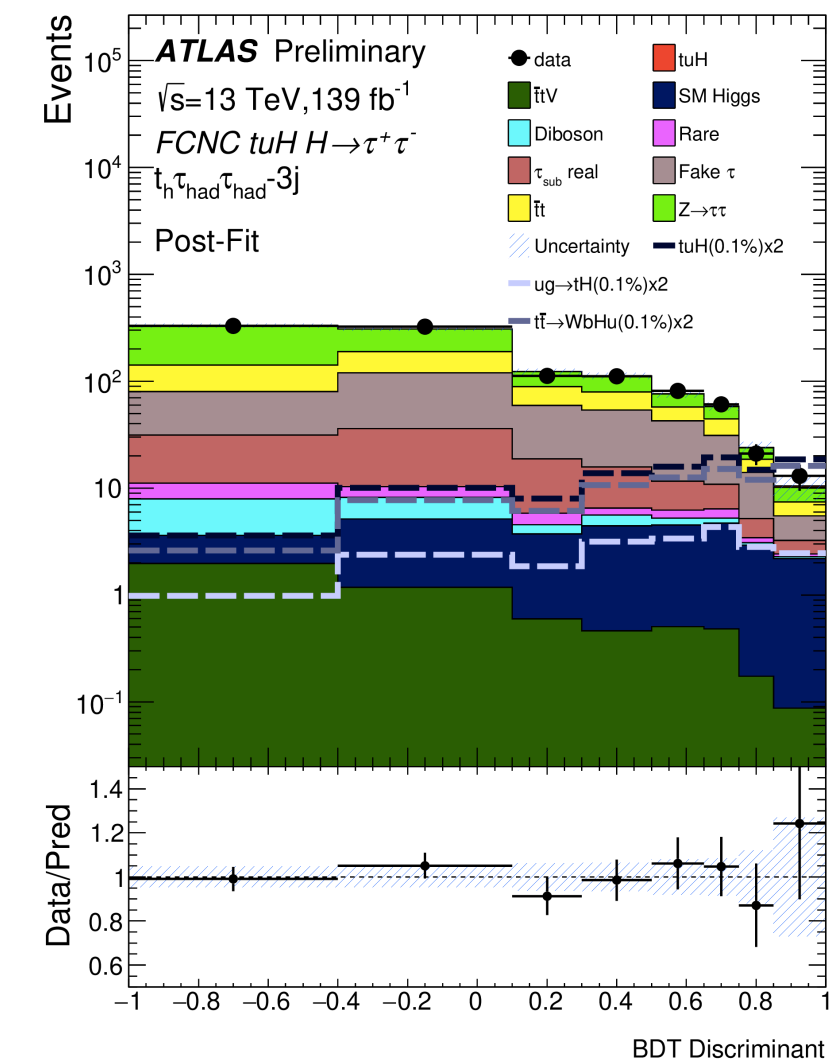
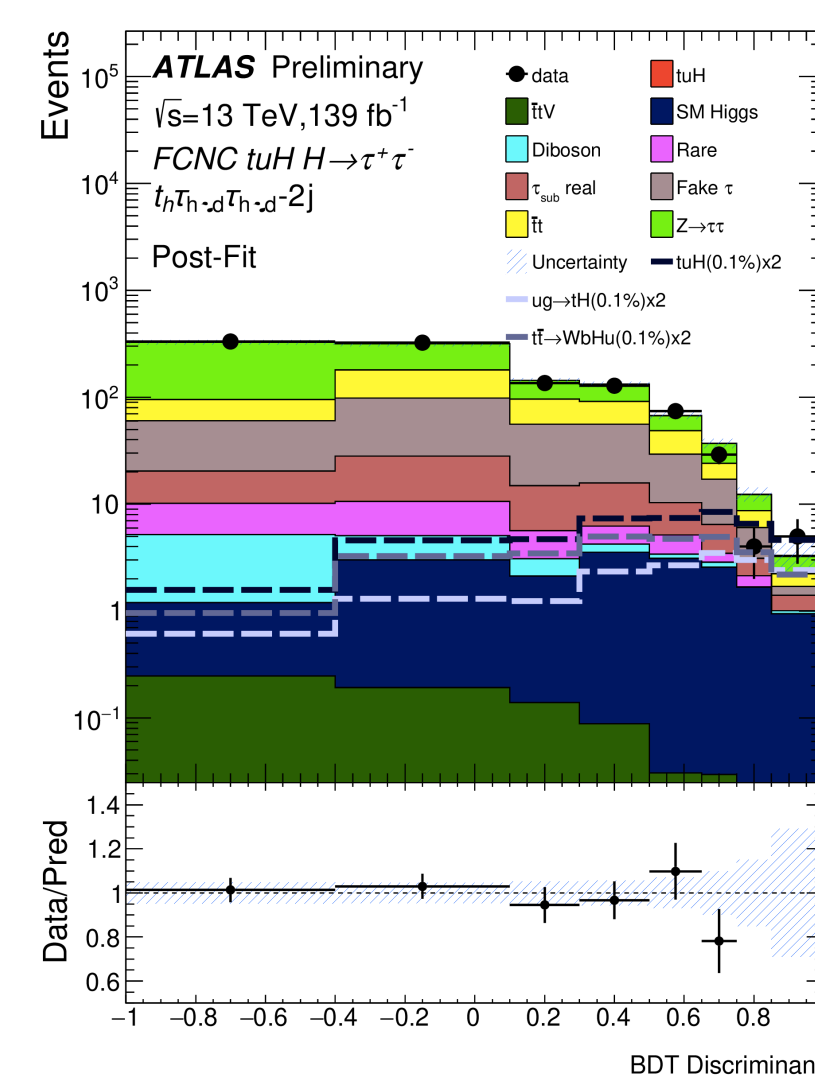
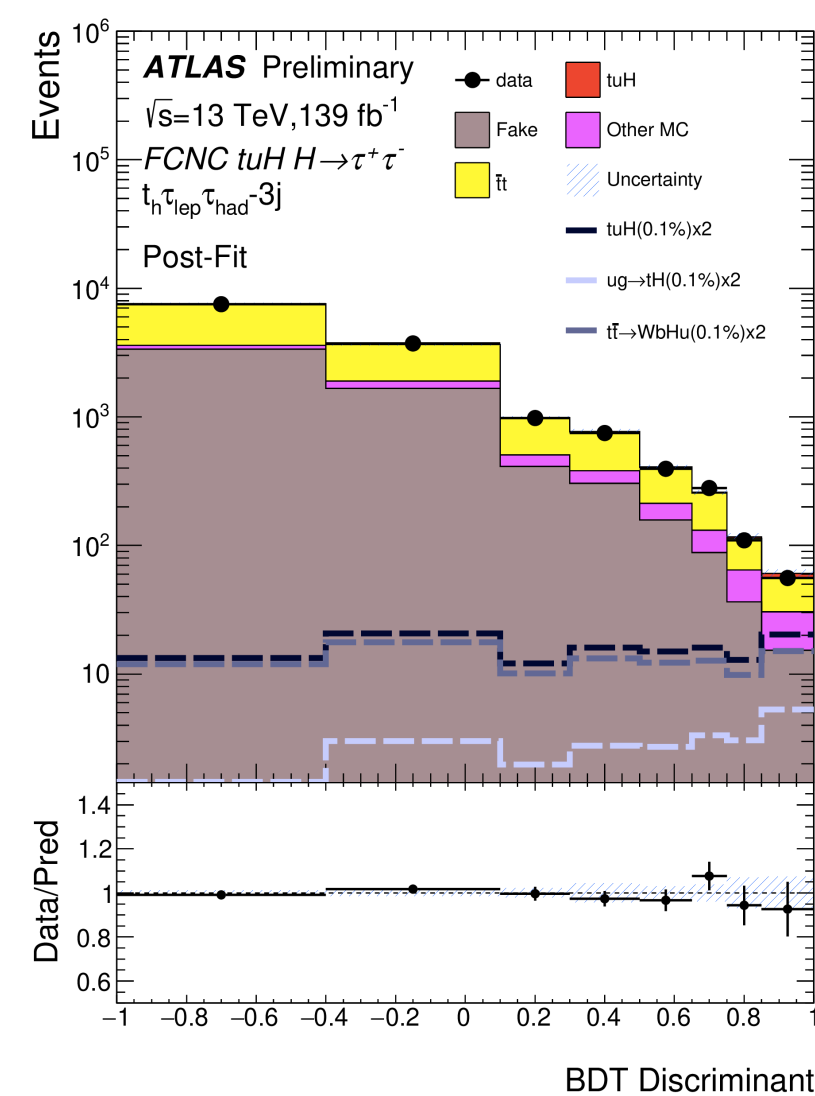
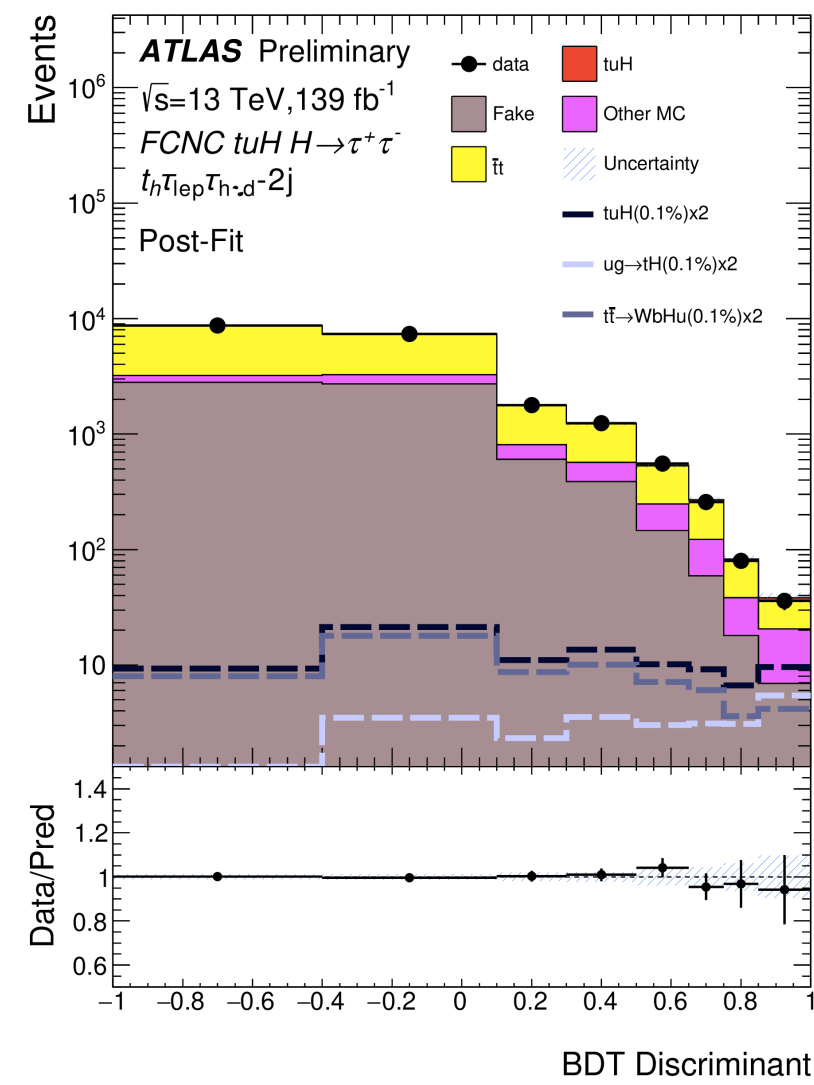
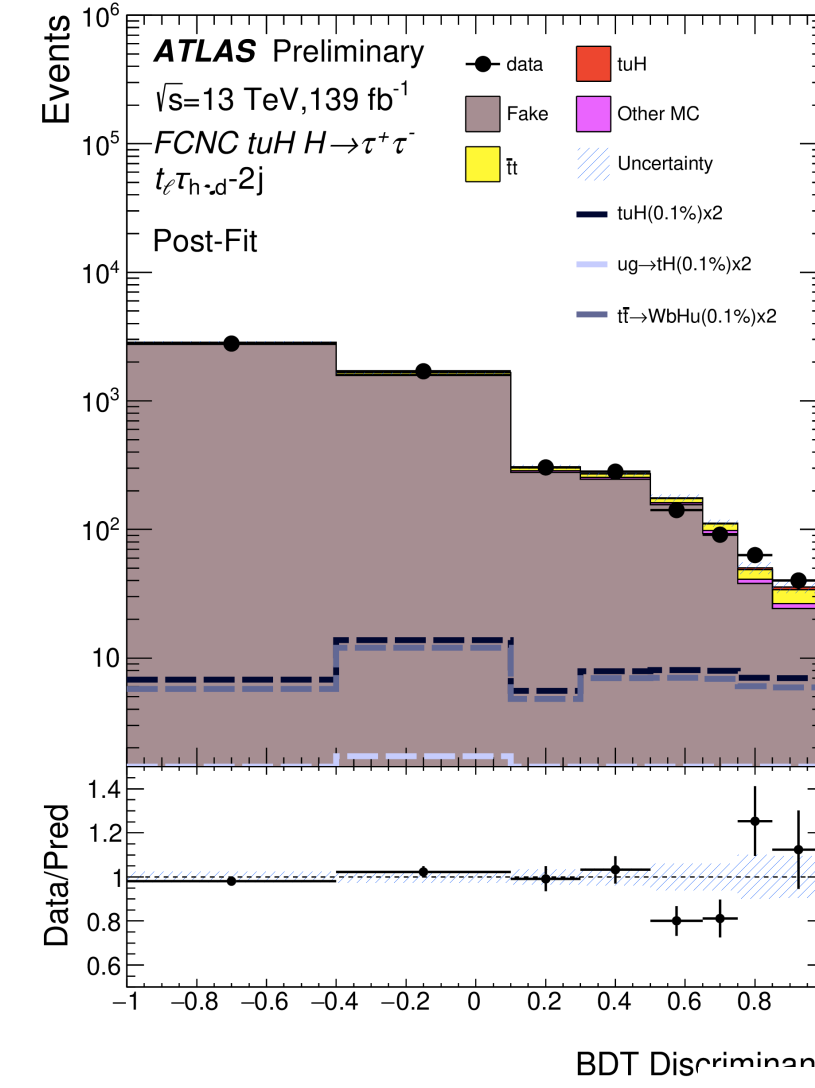
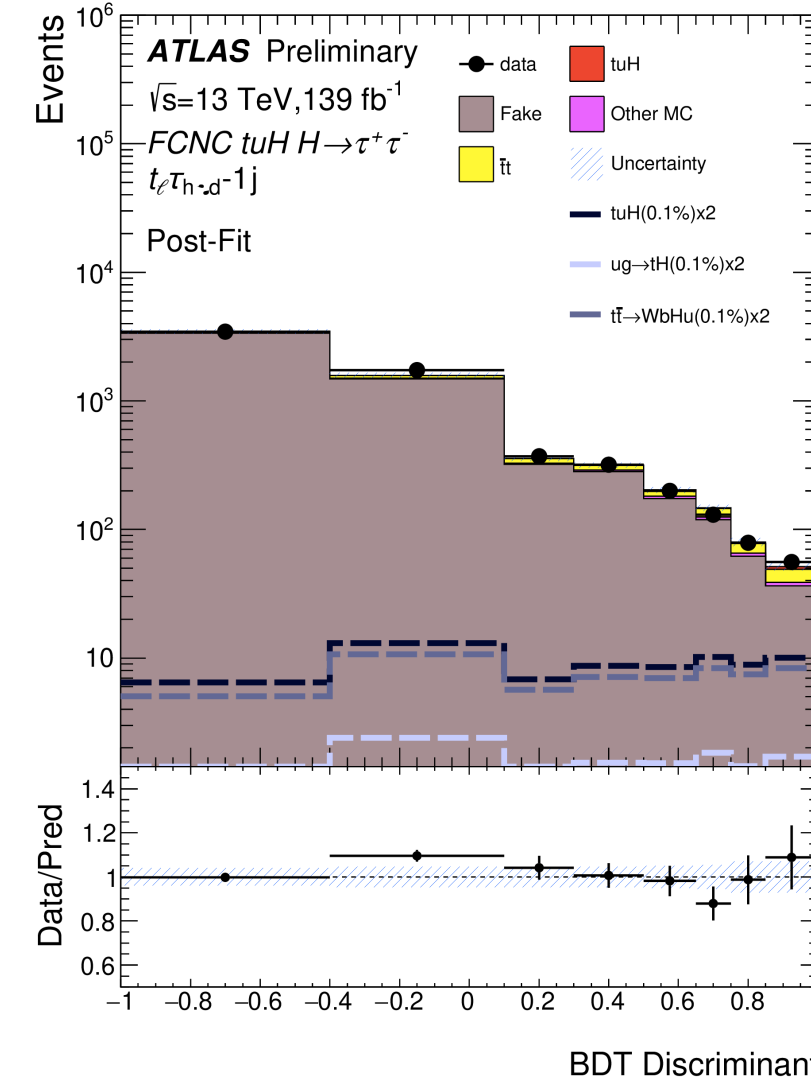
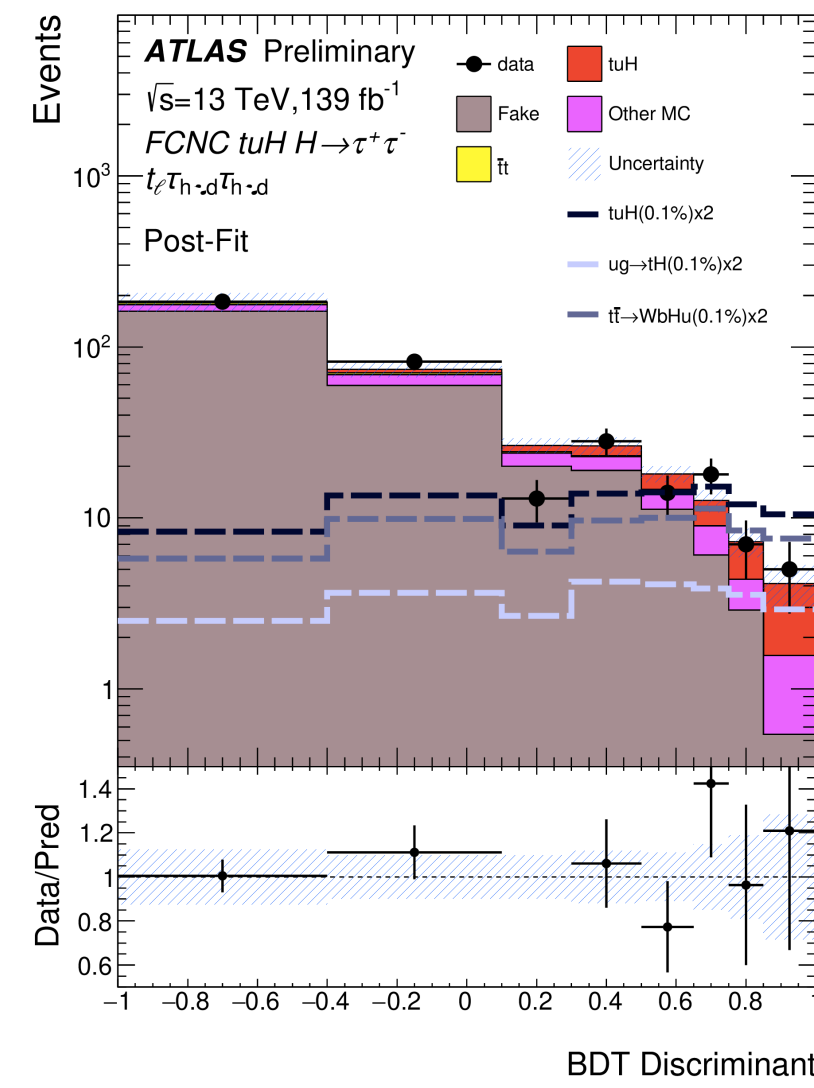
# FCNC $H \rightarrow \tau + \tau^-$ : overview of regions

	Regions	$b$ -jet	light flavour jets	lepton	hadronic taus	charge
SR	$t_\ell \tau_{\text{had}} \tau_{\text{had}}$	1	$\geq 0$	1	2	$\tau_{\text{had}} \tau_{\text{had}}$ OS
	$t_\ell \tau_{\text{had}}^{-1\text{j}}$	1	1	1	1	$t_\ell \tau_{\text{had}}$ SS
	$t_\ell \tau_{\text{had}}^{-2\text{j}}$	1	2	1	1	$t_\ell \tau_{\text{had}}$ SS
	$t_h \tau_{\text{lep}} \tau_{\text{had}}^{-2\text{j}}$	1	2	1	1	$\tau_{\text{lep}} \tau_{\text{had}}$ OS
	$t_h \tau_{\text{lep}} \tau_{\text{had}}^{-3\text{j}}$	1	$\geq 3$	1	1	$\tau_{\text{lep}} \tau_{\text{had}}$ OS
	$t_h \tau_{\text{had}} \tau_{\text{had}}^{-2\text{j}}$	1	2	0	2	$\tau_{\text{had}} \tau_{\text{had}}$ OS
	$t_h \tau_{\text{had}} \tau_{\text{had}}^{-3\text{j}}$	1	$\geq 3$	0	2	$\tau_{\text{had}} \tau_{\text{had}}$ OS
VR	$t_\ell \tau_{\text{had}} \tau_{\text{had}}^{-\text{SS}}$	1	$\geq 0$	1	2	$\tau_{\text{had}} \tau_{\text{had}}$ SS
CRtt	$t_\ell t_\ell 1b \tau_{\text{had}}$	1	$\geq 0$	2	1	$t_\ell t_\ell$ OS
	$t_\ell t_\ell 2b \tau_{\text{had}}$	2	$\geq 0$	2	1	$t_\ell t_\ell$ OS
	$t_\ell t_h 2b \tau_{\text{had}}^{-2\text{j}} \text{SS}$	2	2	1	1	$t_\ell \tau_{\text{had}}$ SS
	$t_\ell t_h 2b \tau_{\text{had}}^{-2\text{j}} \text{OS}$	2	2	1	1	$t_\ell \tau_{\text{had}}$ OS
	$t_\ell t_h 2b \tau_{\text{had}}^{-3\text{j}} \text{SS}$	2	$\geq 3$	1	1	$t_\ell \tau_{\text{had}}$ SS
	$t_\ell t_h 2b \tau_{\text{had}}^{-3\text{j}} \text{OS}$	2	$\geq 3$	1	1	$t_\ell \tau_{\text{had}}$ OS

# FCNC $H \rightarrow \tau + \tau^-$ : absolute uncertainties

Source of uncertainty	$\Delta B [10^{-5}]$	
	$t \rightarrow uH$	$t \rightarrow cH$
Lepton ID	0.6	1.0
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	0.7	0.8
Fake lepton modeling	0.9	1.1
JES and JER	2.4	3.2
Flavour tagging	2.7	3.7
$t\bar{t}$ modeling	2.9	4.3
Other MC modeling	2.1	2.9
Fake $\tau$ modeling	3.2	4.6
Signal modeling including $\text{Br}(H \rightarrow \tau\tau)$	5.3	7.0
$\tau$ ID	3.3	4.4
Luminosity and Pileup	0.9	1.3
MC statistics	5.1	7.0
Total systematic uncertainty	11.2	15.5
Data statistical uncertainty	14.1	19.6
Total uncertainties	18	25

# FCNC $H \rightarrow \tau + \tau^-$ : $tuH$ - BDT output distributions



# FCNC $H \rightarrow \tau + \tau^-$ : $tcH$ - BDT output distributions

